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TO: Chief, WH Division

INFO.:

FROM: Chief of Station, Guatemala City

SUBJECT: Tapes Confiscated by the GOG Military

ACTION REQUIRED - REFERENCES:

ACTION: FYI

REFERENCE: GUAT-4326

1. GENERAL

Transmitted herewith please find copies of three tapes confiscated by the GOG military from the guerrillas in operations subsequent to the guerrilla attack on the small garrison at Panzos (GUAT-4309, paragraph 4). The tapes were received by the Station from ODIBEX in mid-November. The Station made copies to pass to the Guatemalan Army and to ODIBEX and kept one copy for study. The originals were returned to the Guatemalan Army after a master copy was made.

2. THE TAPES

The original tapes were small and were eight in number and were recorded by the guerrillas at the speed of 1 and 7/8ths. According to information taken from the tapes, the recording was done on a Philips recorder. Judging from the sounds it is felt that the tapes were made indoors by inexperienced personnel. This belief is supported by one of the documents captured which went into detail on the problems the guerrillas were having with the recorder and on how to correct them. The master copy made by the Station (transmitted herewith) was recorded at the same speed on three tapes which total about 16 hours of poor listening.

Attachment:

Tapes, h/w

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3. INFORMATION FROM TAPES

A. Tape 1 side 1. A speech made by Victor Rigo Galan (Mexican newspaperman who is very leftist) to guerrillas under the command of Marco Antonio Yon Sosa. Generally, he informs the guerrillas that the revolution in Guatemala is the revolution of Latin America. He reports that persons in Latin America and Europe are keenly interested in the Guatemalan revolution and send letters to Galan affirming their support of it. He then goes into the problems of the apparent split between the 13 November "movement and the PGT leadership. He states that the PGT has not given the guerrillas the proper support and has taken too soft a line in the revolutionary struggle. He talked to the PGT leadership and asked that personal feelings be set aside and suggested complete cooperation with the guerrillas to overthrow the present government. At the end of the tape the guerrilla theme song is sung by a group of guerrillas.

B. Tape 1 side 2. This side discusses (voice unidentified) the interview Yon Sosa had with newspapermen in the Sierra de las Minas. The speaker explains how the interview was disseminated throughout Guatemala by Supplement # 1 of the Revolucion Socialista. The interview will soon be translated into German, French and other languages and will be sent to Mexico, Latin America and countries in Europe. The speaker then goes on to explain how the guerrilla publication, Revolucion Socialista, has created great enthusiasm (does not say where) and how it will make people aware of the role the guerrillas play in Guatemala. Its main object is to attack imperialism and the Guatemalan Government.

C. Tape 2 side 1. This side deals with generalities on the revolution going on in Guatemala. It discusses the need for a new government to represent the people. It states that the guerrilla movement is the vanguard of the masses of workers and campesinos. At the end of the tape it salutes the workers of the world.

D. Tape 2 side 2. An unidentified voice discusses, in very general terms, the problems of the guerrillas in shipping various articles (weapons, literature and tapes) to different parts of the country. The major obstacles to smooth movements of the articles throughout the country are police and military check points on the major roads and the fact that large truck shipments cannot be mounted, forcing the guerrillas to hand carry most of the material. Through negligence, many guerrillas have been captured with compromising material in their possession. Pseudonyms are repeatedly mentioned on this side - Rolando, Rudy, Adan, and Mateo - which cannot be identified by the Station.

E. Tape 3 side 1. This side is taken up by an unidentified person reading passages out of Revolucion Socialista and Marxist literature.

F. Tape 3 side 2. On this side there are discussions of the problems faced by the guerrillas. The first problem is the trouble the Mando General was having with the Guatemalan Communist Party (the Party tended to isolate itself from the guerrillas). Other problems included communications between guerrilla units throughout the country; problems with the recording machine; and the problem of putting out propaganda which can be understood by the campesinos. All these problems were discussed in very general terms omitting names, places and dates.

4. CONCLUSIONS DRAWN FROM TAPES

The information found on the tapes is of no operational value to the Station since it deals with propaganda and guerrilla problems already known by the Station. What is of interest is the apparent effort by the guerrilla leadership to use tapes as a means of operational communications and to reach the illiterate campesinos and workers with spoken instead of written propaganda. The operational use of tapes would obviate the need for printed internal communiques which are bulky and easily compromised. A guerrilla can hide a tape on his person and travel through police and military check points without being detected. Since the people to whom the guerrillas are interested are for the most part illiterate (campesinos and workers), the spoken word would mean much

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more to them than would printed propaganda. The Station has not based these conclusions solely on the three tapes transmitted with this report. Two days ago, REDEM-1 informed DOSCHER that the police recently confiscated 24 tapes from the guerrillas (raids on 8 and 9 December, HOGA-7612) and that these tapes consist of operational problems faced by the guerrilla leadership and propaganda. The Station will attempt to make copies of the tapes mentioned by REDEM-1 if they can be obtained. If the tapes cannot be acquired the Station will receive copies of the scripts taken from the tapes (police are doing this now).

5. Since the tapes are not of operational value the Station feels it is not necessary to retain a copy for the files and is passing to Headquarters the master copy from which reproductions were made for ODIMEX and the Guatemalan Government.

Kenneth A. IRWOOD

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TO: Chief of Station, Mexico City

INFO: Chief, Western Hemisphere Division

FROM: Chief of Base, Merida

SUBJECT: [illegible] - Conference Given by Victor RICO Galan in Merida

ACTION REQUIRED - REFERENCES

ACTION: FYI

Ref: HMM: 22501, 24 Jan. 64

1. Attached are copies of press coverage of a conference given in Merida on 29 October 1964 by Victor RICO Galan, described in reference as a Mexican Marxist journalist and CASTRO agent. In summary, RICO reportedly sketched the Hispanoamerican situation briefly and spent an hour or more replying to questions from the audience; his eternal theme was North American imperialism.

2. It will be noted that RICO was invited by the Centro de Renovacion Cultural and presented by Journalist Mario [illegible] Rodriguez, who said that one might or might not agree with what RICO said but that he had a right to be heard. The Centro is of very recent unknown origin or is said to be sponsoring the visit each week of a journalist to Merida for similar conferences. Where the money is coming from has not yet been determined. CIACIB contacts have said that [illegible] himself paid for RICO's air travel, and that the hotel bill at the Imam Vienna was paid by the PARAMICO tourist agency. However a hotel contact has stated that the bill was paid by the "State Government". LIMOUR indicates that the Cuban Consul in Merida, Mariano GARCIA Perez, is in contact with [illegible], and, when it is recalled that the Cuban-Mexican Institute in Merida sponsored RICO's trip to Merida in 1962, there would seem to be more than one possibility as to the source of funds for the new Centro. If the Centro plans are carried out as reported, annual expenditures might run as high as $1,000., a not inconsiderable sum.

3. [illegible] is a close CIACIB Merida contact and a personal contact of CCS as well. He is a young, crusader-type member of the [illegible] family complex which owns and operates the Yucatan Peninsula's principal daily news paper Diario de Yucatan. In 1962, he spearheaded an exposé accusing local [illegible] de Agrario officials of fraud. He seems to be on strained terms with his family and to have taken up with the extreme left. Diario for 26 [illegible], at 19[illegible], carried a letter from him accusing certain federal Ministers and high officials of a new fraud involving some $45 millions of pesos

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in the purchase of [illegible], the [illegible] owns practically all the [illegible] mills in [illegible]. About 20 August 19[illegible], [illegible], she was [illegible] a [illegible] conference in Mexico City, cabled his wife in Venice to inform the local CIACIF that he was cancelling his plans to attend a 30-day seminar of Latin American newspaper editors in [illegible] as a guest of CIACIF. A local Maryknoll priest who commented on the case last week said that he feared Mario had " one on over to the other side".

4. Since MANRIQUE was Number 1 on the list of the CIACIF "Comin' Young Men" program, the above information is being forwarded on an interim basis until the return of the local CIACIF chief, which is expected around 7 November. At that time it is anticipated that he will try to get down to the bottom of the matter, since he considers MANRIQUE as his contact. This dispatch is being forwarded with the knowledge of the acting chief of the local CIACIF, who contributed information to it.

5. The base has no record of Eugenio HERRERO Garcia.

Andrew F. [illegible]

Attachments:
3 newspaper clippings

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Anoche, en el Teatro del Seguro Social

Visión de Hispanoamérica

CONFERENCIA DE VICTOR RICO GALAN

Invitado por el Centro de Renovaciones Culturales, desarrolló anoche interesante conferencia sobre el tema Visión de Hispanoamérica, el distinguido periodista Víctor Rico Galán. La concurrencia —profesionales, estudiantes, hombres de empresa, el público que se interesa en los problemas de mayor proyección— llenó casi literalmente el cupo de la sala del Seguro Social.

Después de breve presentación del conferenciante por el Sr Mario Hernández Rodríguez, en que advirtió que se podía estar o no de acuerdo con el Sr Rico Galán, pero que el Centro defendía el derecho de todos a expresar sus opiniones libremente, inició su disertación el intelectual visitante.

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Más que el desarrollo de una lección literaria, científica o política, que es lo que propiamente se entiende por conferencia, la del Sr Rico Galán fue en realidad un diálogo fácil, amenísimo fecundo, con el auditorio. Lástima que tan interesante conversación se viera mutilada desde el principio, pues el conferenciante advirtió que gracias a cierto artículo del reglamento del Teatro del Seguro Social, en la mencionada sala no puede debatirse el tema de la política mexicana. Esa convicción no sólo obligó a presentar una América Latina incompleta, de la cual era extraña precisamente nuestra patria, sino puso de manifiesto también que el Centro de Renovaciones Culturales tendrá que procurarse otro local para sus actividades, donde no se ponga ningún tropiezo, dentro de la ley, a la libre manifestación de las ideas.

Luego de una síntesis expositiva de las condiciones que privan en Hispanoamérica, el Sr. Rico Galán subrayó que la amplitud y diversidad del tema lo hacían inasequible para una sola conferencia, por lo que prefería desarrollarlo por medio de preguntas y respuestas. Esta modalidad comunicó inusitada serie de matices a la velada, máxime que el intelectual visitante para enfocar mejor los tópicos, recordó que la suerte y el trato que se dispensaba a Latinoamérica cambiaron radicalmente desde el momento mismo en que Fidel Castro rompe con el tutelaje de los Estados Unidos. Entonces se nos empieza a enamorar de muy diversos modos "hasta con la Alianza para el Progreso".

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A partir de esa delimitación, hábilmente practicada por el conferenciante, la plática gustó siempre o casi siempre sobre el mismo eje: el imperialismo de los Estados Unidos como causa fundamental y generadora de todos nuestros males. Las preguntas surgían en ocasiones, por la espontaneidad con que eran formuladas, con el propósito de hallar una esperanza esclarecedora en Cuba, en la Argentina, en el Perú, en Venezuela, en Colombia, en Panamá, en algún sitio de esta América de sangre caliente, pero las respuestas, modificadas por el Sr. Rico Galán con argumentos de primera mano y a veces hasta con anécdotas personales referentes a [illegible] de ellos con el mismo denominador: demostrar que el imperialismo norteamericano

[illegible] supone en [illegible] la mente [illegible] el [illegible] mercado [illegible] en que [illegible] cuales se había convertido [illegible] el Sr. Rico Galán veía esperanza en la competencia, un remedio nervioso para [illegible] otro imperialismo, por ejemplo, el de la Unión Soviética.

Pero no. Con la misma sencillez, con la misma agilidad hasta con la misma modestia que fueron los denominadores comunes de su charla, el Sr. Rico Galán sugirió sin dogmatizar, que la salvación de Hispanoamérica no está en emanciparse del imperialismo de los Estados Unidos por medio del [illegible] de la Unión Soviética o de la Francia del Gral. De Gaulle sino aprovechando inteligentemente todos aquellos recursos o maniobras que se opongan o limiten, o supriman la influencia material de Norteamérica en Hispanoamérica.

Y desde luego con limpia política de autodeterminación, como lo ha hecho el gobierno de México".

Hubo un instante —como un instante— en que el flujo y reflujo de la charla, en que el juego de las preguntas y las respuestas parecía perder agilidad haciéndose monocorde, hasta un punto abrupto y cambiante cuando una interrogación puso sobre el tapete el caso del imperialismo ruso en Hungría, el brutal sometimiento de esa pobre víctima del implacable oso moscovita. Pero al Sr. Rico Galán le basta entender un momento y volver a esa actitud de modestia que le es habitual para desentrañar el caso y conducir de nuevo la plática a su tema inagotable del imperialismo yanqui. Decíamos también que a Rusia se le hacía leña la misma en el caso de Hungría.

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Maestro del arte conversacional, el periodista visitante supo medir la atención del auditorio. El hecho de una conferencia en la hora y media, [illegible] Mayaba el interés en la [illegible] la mayoría [illegible] Luego cuando el Sr. Presidente [illegible] sus últimas [illegible] las aplausos [illegible]

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Diario del Sureste
Mérida
29 oct 64

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de Río Gallo

[redacted] por el Centro de Estudios Históricos, el periodista [redacted] Río Gallo [redacted] ayer de la inauguración, al [redacted] por Sergio Cuevas.

En esta forma inició el [redacted] comentario sobre su actuación.

Río Gallo fue un motivo de la literatura general [redacted] en Yucatán y hasta [redacted] el pueblo y vive la [redacted] Pero preguntar [redacted] por supuesto [redacted] Si una hora con sus [redacted] positivas reflexiones.

Sergio Cuevas Ramírez [redacted] Cuevas, Perú, etc. [redacted] por el crítico [redacted] de Río Gallo.

Presentó el conferencista [redacted] Sergio Cuevas. [redacted]

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Diario del Sur
Sept.
24 Oct. 64

Próxima Conferencia del Periodista Víctor Rico Galán, en Mérida

El Centro de Renovación Cultural ha estado cursando invitaciones para la conferencia que sobre el tema "Visión de Hispanoamérica" sustentará el conocido periodista Víctor Rico Galán, en el Teatro del Seguro Social de esta ciudad el próximo miércoles a las 8 horas.

Suscriben las invitaciones los Sres. Virgilio Barroso García y María Méndez Rodríguez, presidente y secretaria respectivamente, del mencionado Centro.

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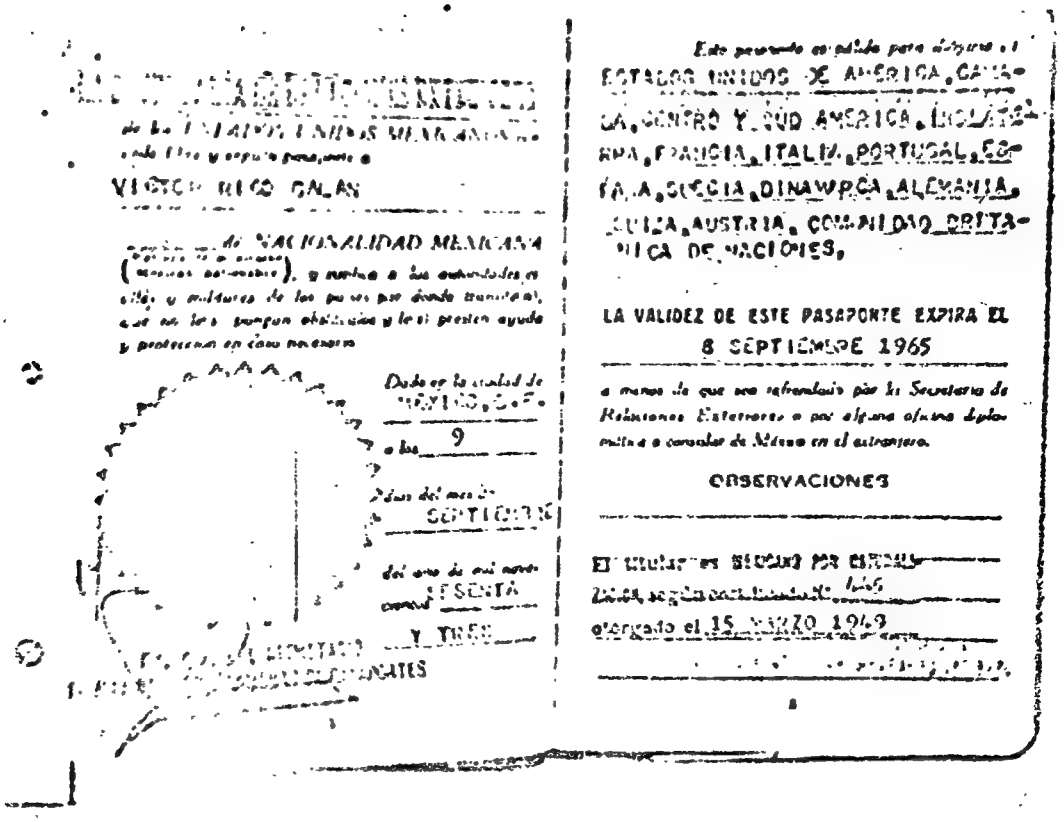

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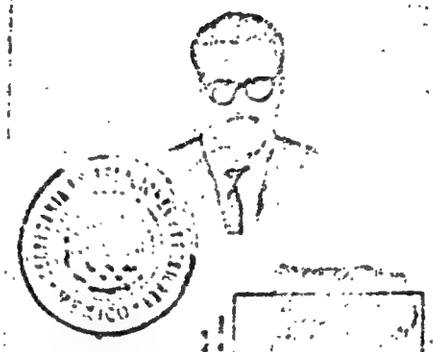

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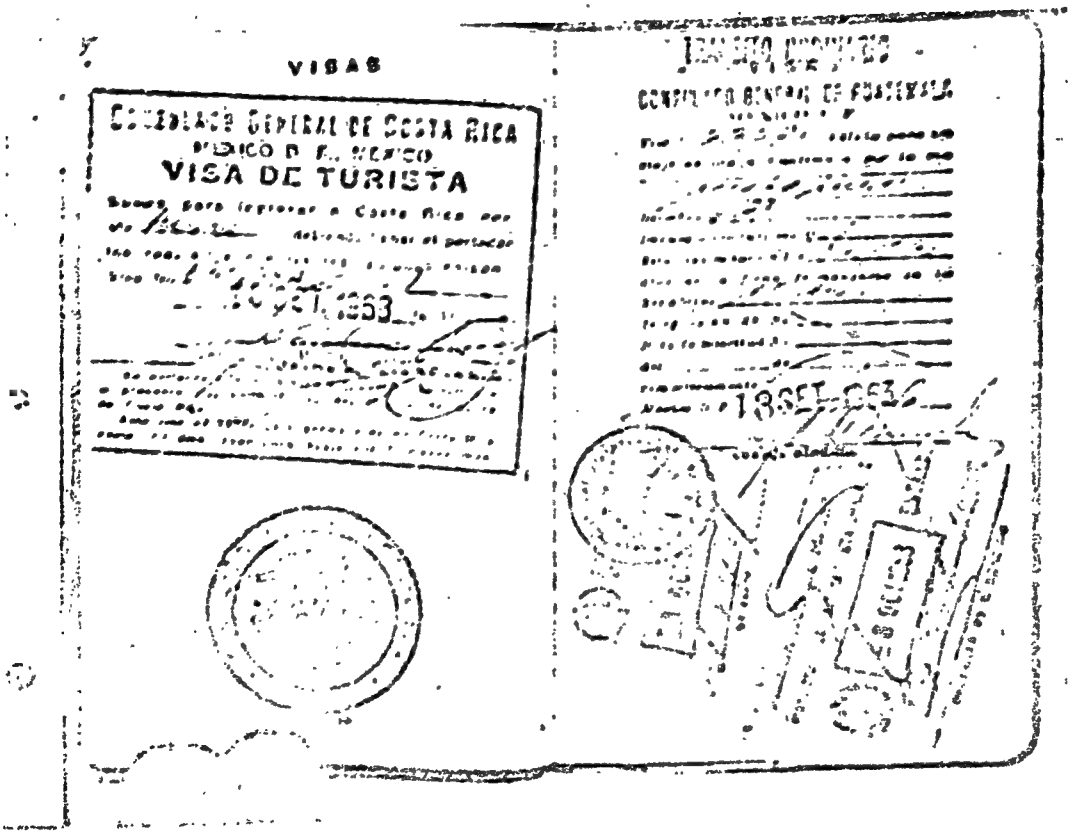
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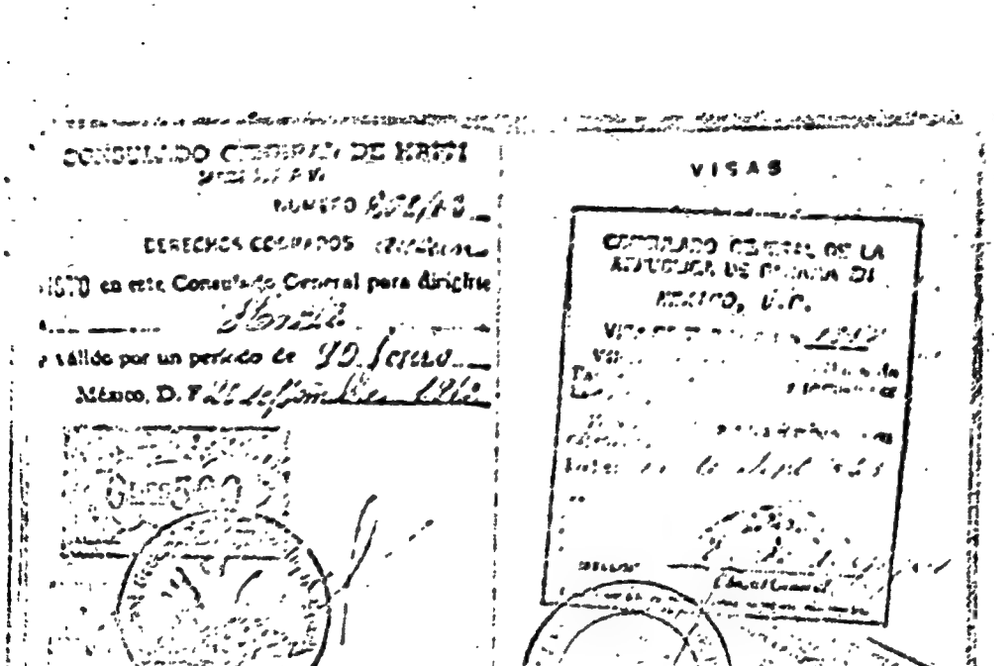
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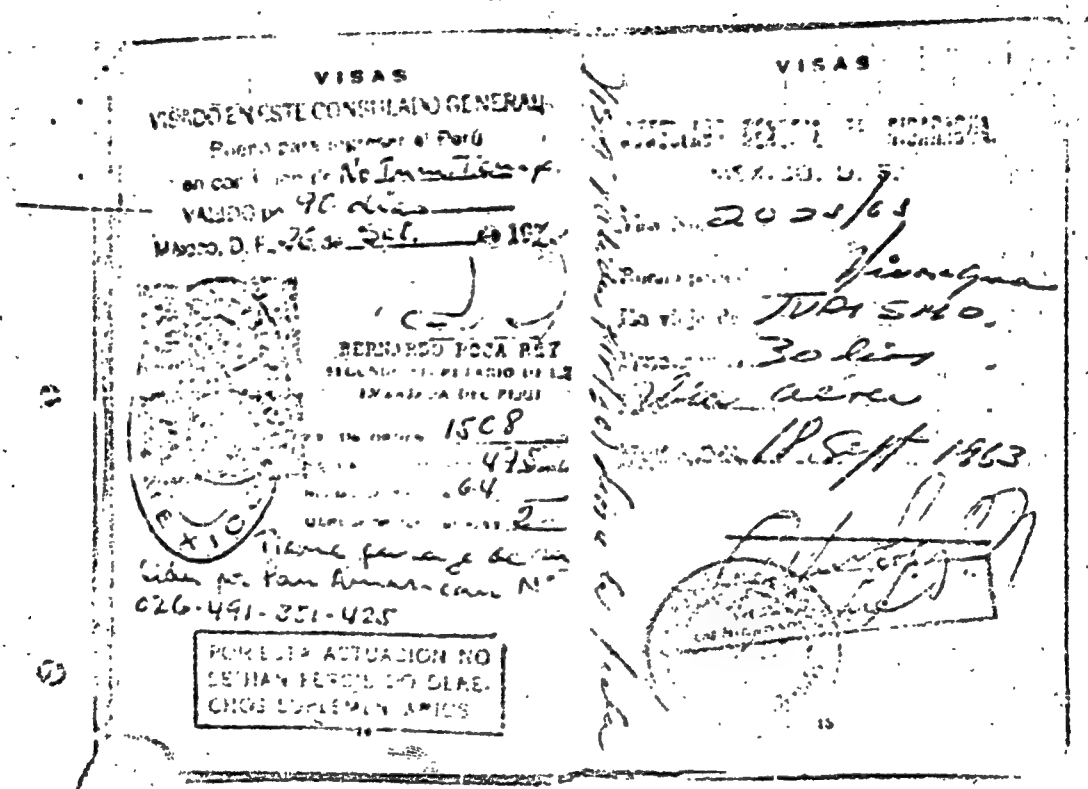

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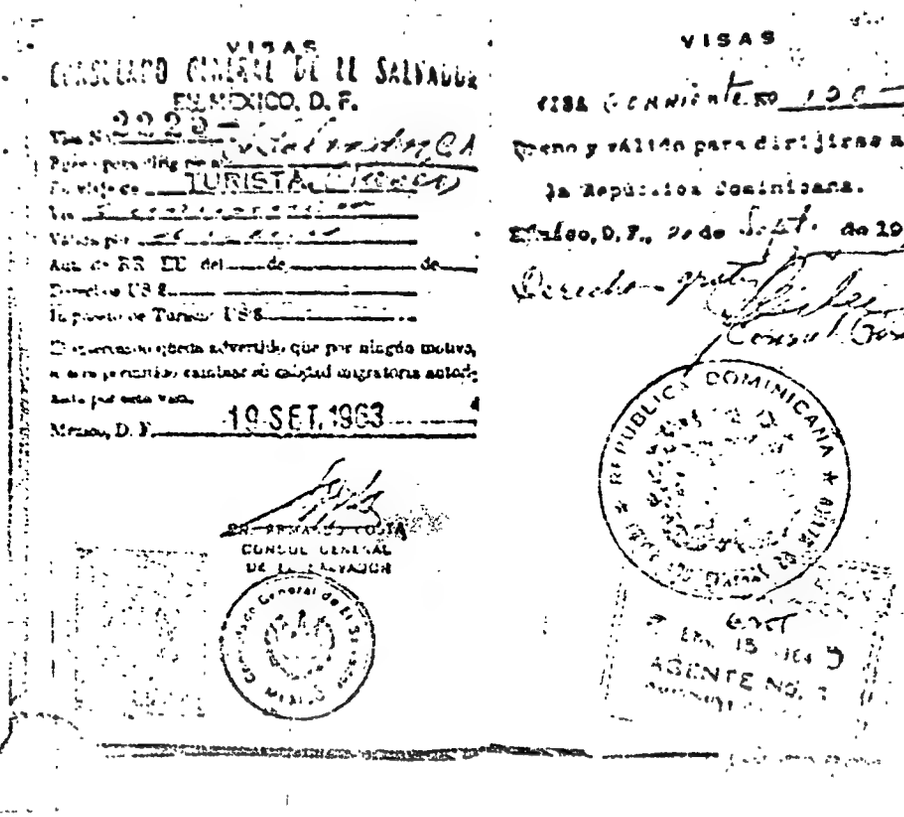

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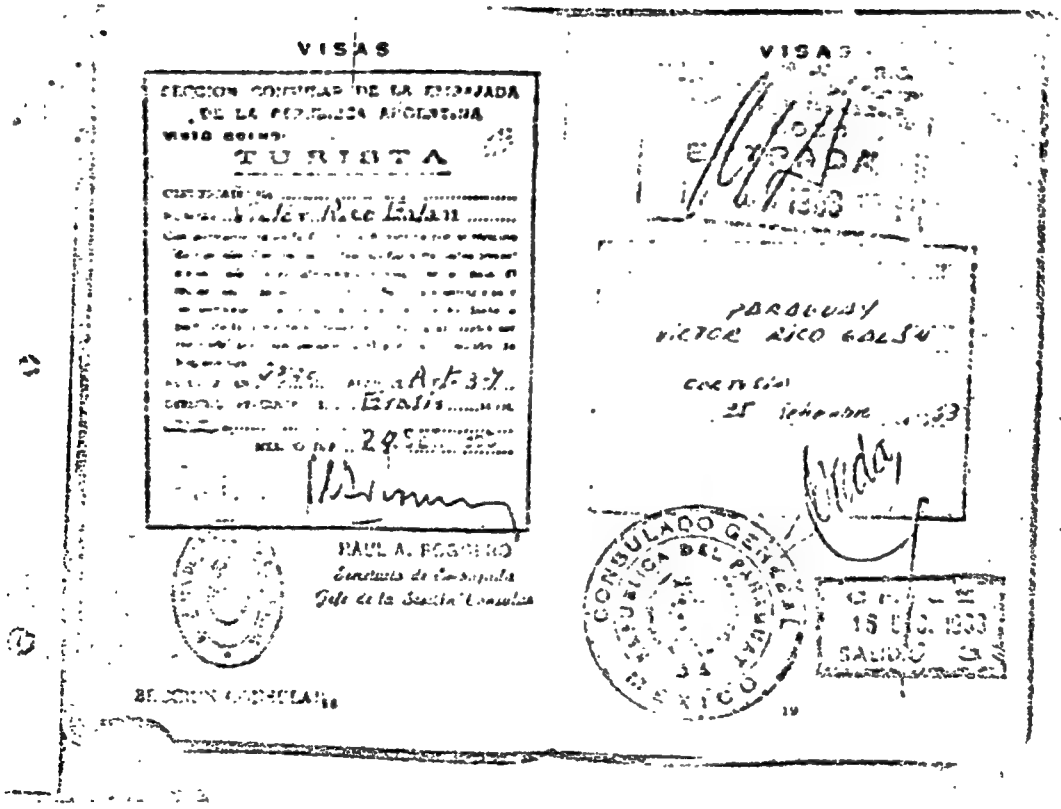
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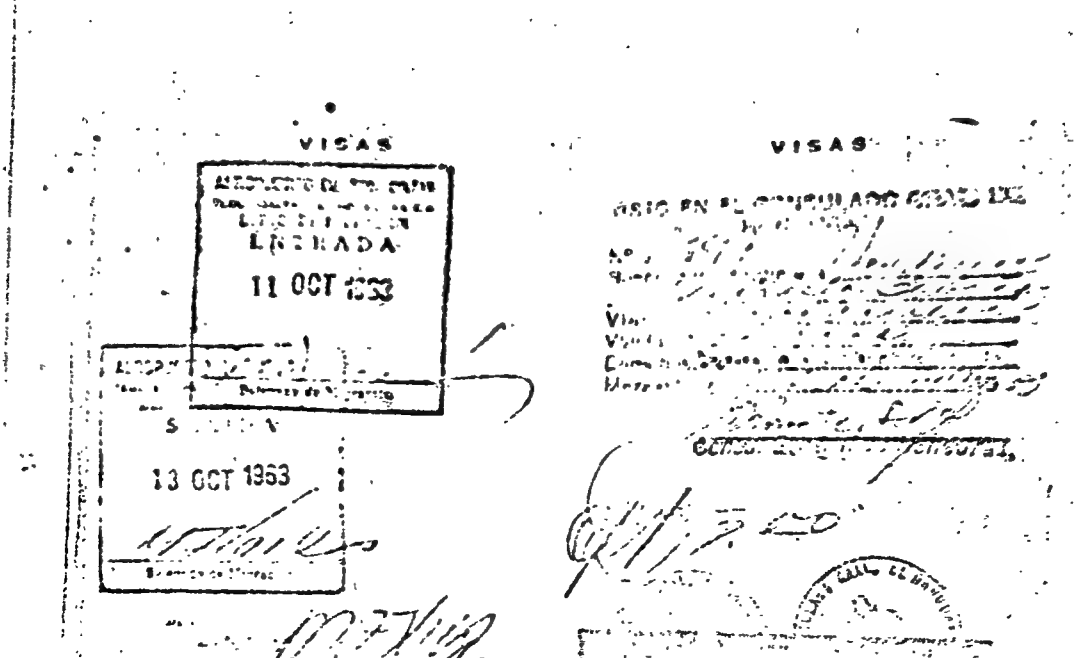
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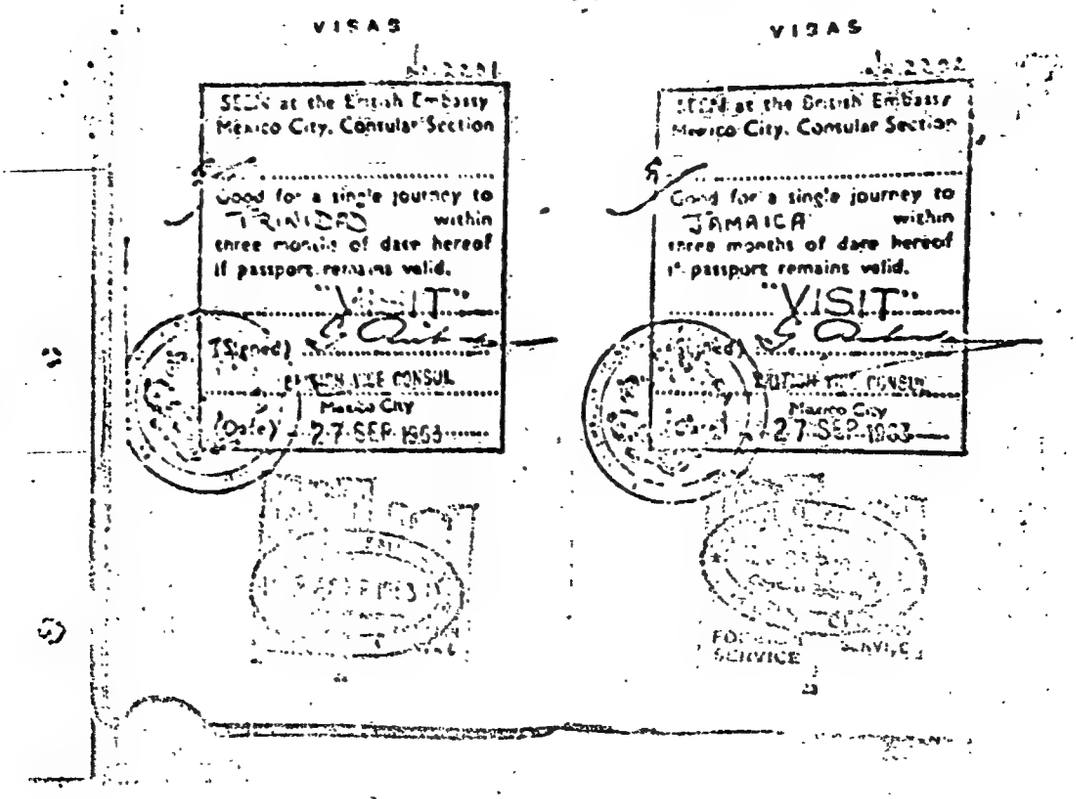
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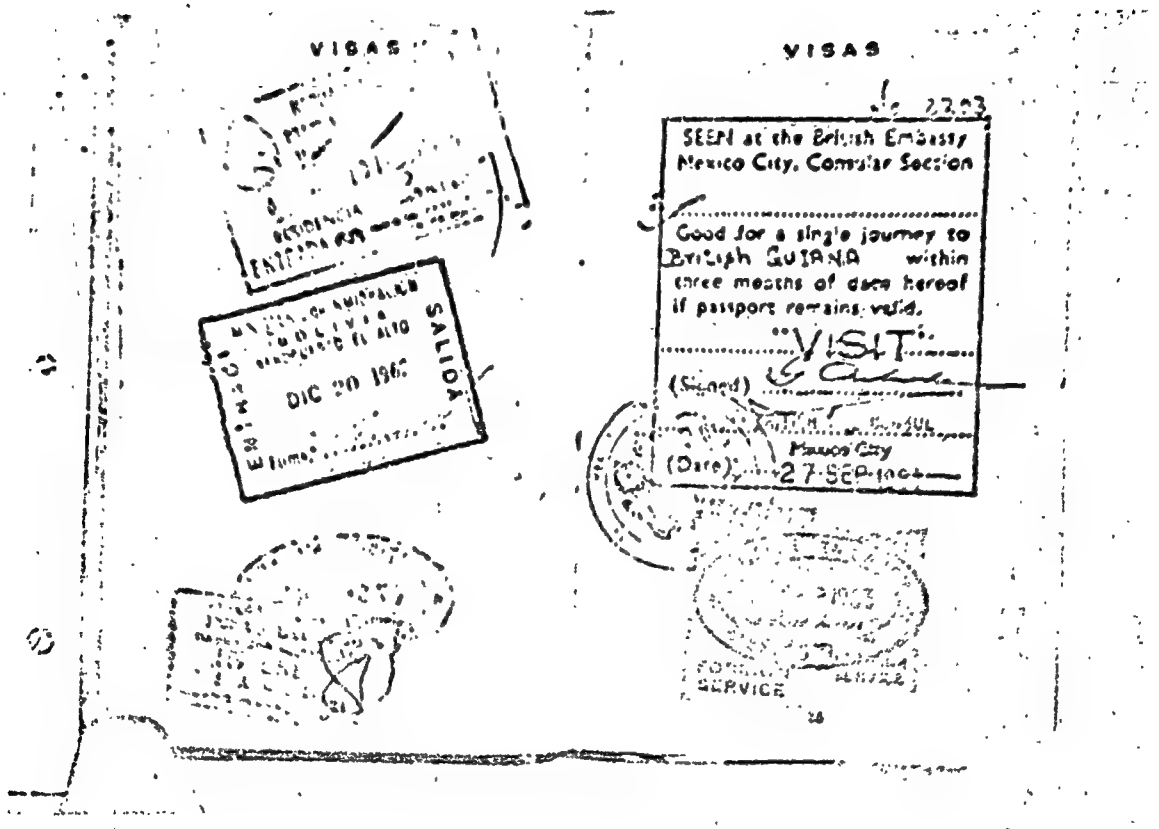
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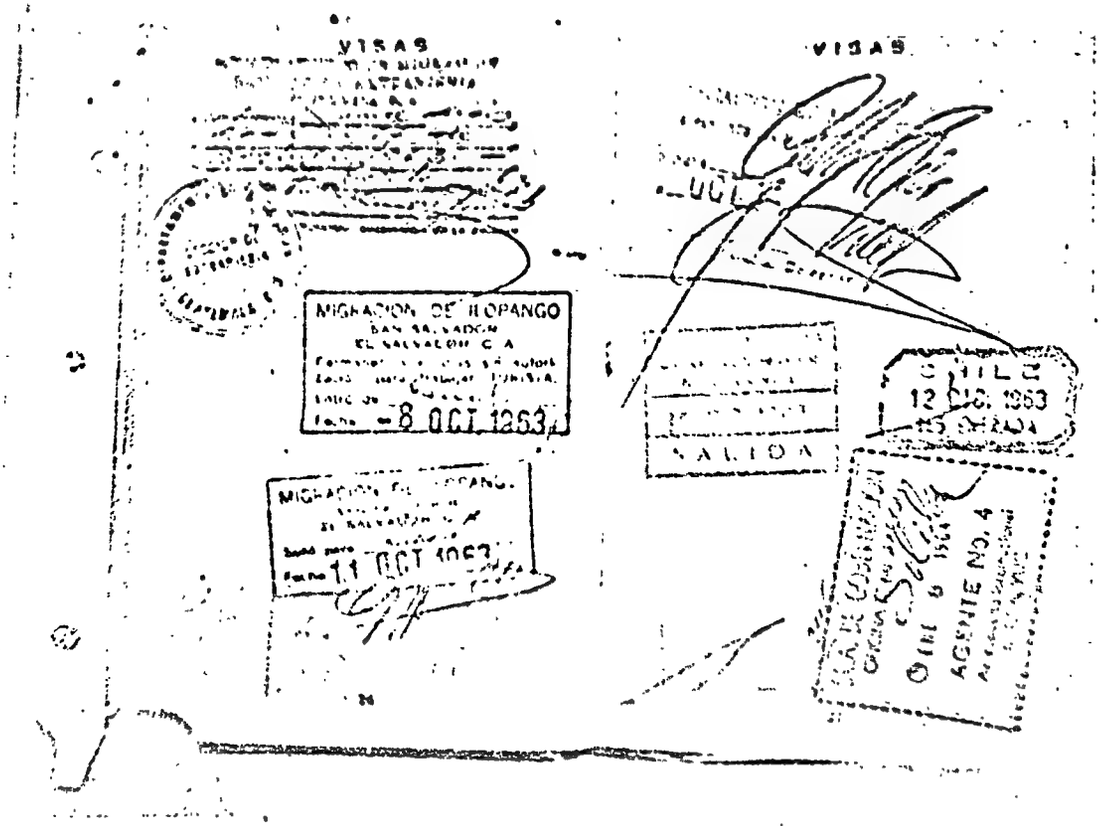
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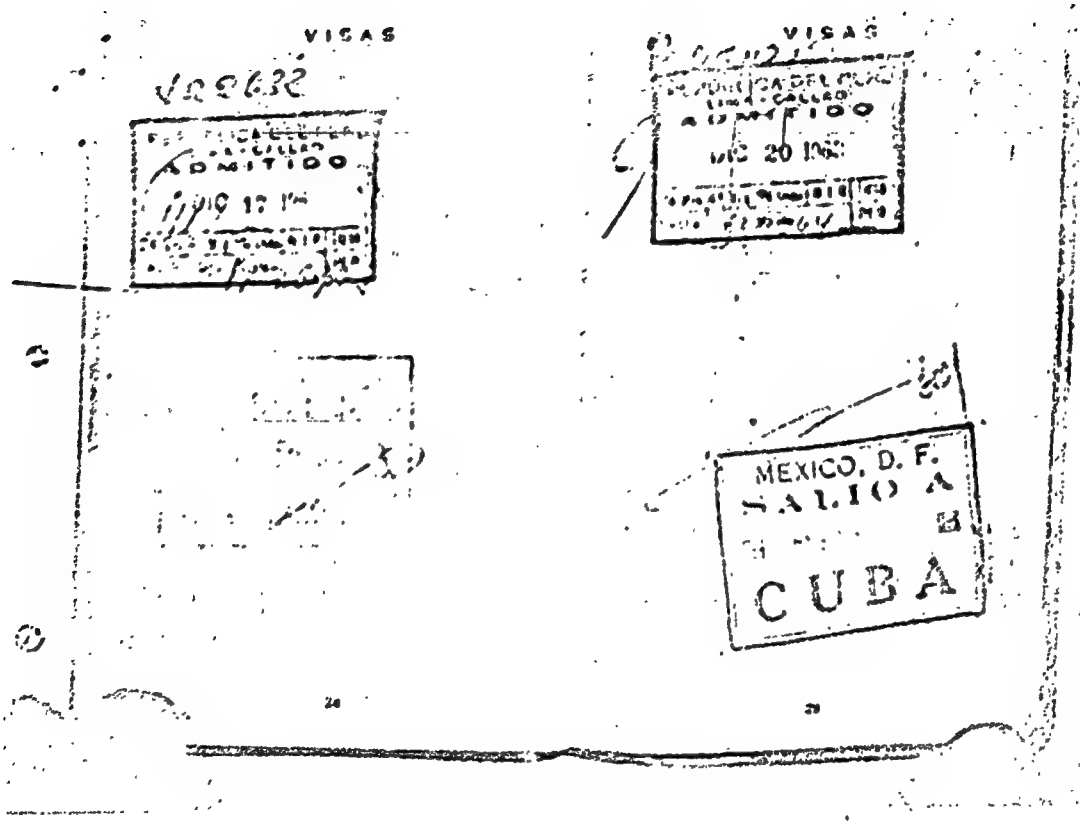
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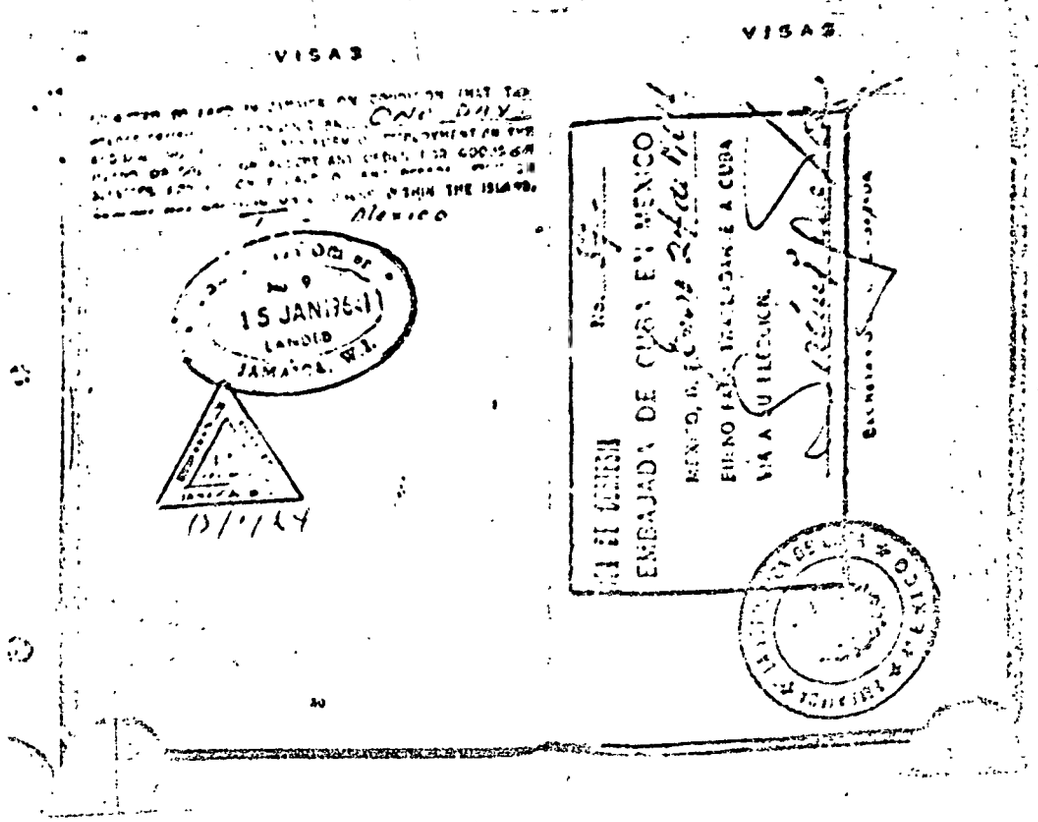
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TO: Chief of Station, Mexico City

INFO: Chief of Station, Panama City; Chief, WHD; Chief of Station, Dominican Republic

FROM: Chief of Base, Merida

SUBJECT: Travel of Victor RICO Galan, Mexican Marxist Journalist and Agent of Fidel CASTRO hmz

ACTION REQUIRED REFERENCES

REF: HMMA-22801

FYI

On 15 January 1964, Subject arrived Merida from Kingston, Jamaica, by Mexicana flight 304 in transit for Mexico City. (Source: airlists).

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TDCS DB-3/659,422

DATE OF INFO. 28 JANUARY - 5 FEBRUARY 1964

DISTR. 7 FEBRUARY 1964

SUBJECT

TRAVEL AND ACTIVITIES OF THELMA KING, PRO-CASTRO DEPUTY TO THE PANAMA NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

PLACE & DATE ACQ. PANAMA, PANAMA CITY (6 FEBRUARY 1964)

REF TDCSDB-3/659,136 IN 13930

SOURCE AND APPRAISAL: FIELD REPORT NO.

LATIN AMERICAN POLITICIAN (F) WITH GOOD CONTACTS IN CENTRAL AMERICAN REVOLUTIONARY CIRCLES. THE PRIMARY SOURCE HAS PROBABLY REPORTED ACCURATELY BUT THE RELIABILITY OF THE SUBSOURCES CANNOT BE DETERMINED.

1. THELMA KING, PRO-CUBAN DEPUTY TO THE PANAMA NATIONAL ASSEMBLY, WAS SCHEDULED TO LEAVE PANAMA ON 5 FEBRUARY FOR CURACAO, FROM WHERE SHE WAS TO GO TO THE SOVIET UNION VIA CUBA. (HEADQUARTERS COMMENT: TDCSDB-3/659,136, OF 21 JANUARY, REPORTED THAT MRS. KING WOULD LEAVE FOR THE SOVIET UNION AND CUBA ON 24 JANUARY. SHE WAS MAKING THE TRIP TO SEEK FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR PANAMA FROM MOSCOW.)

2. ON 28 JANUARY MRS. KING MET "BRANKO", AND TOLD HER THAT VICTOR RICO GALAN HAD ASKED HER TO GO DIRECTLY TO CUBA AND THEN TO THE SOVIET UNION AND TO DROP HER PLANS TO GO TO CHINA. "BRANKO" GAVE MRS. KING $1,000 FOR HER TRIP, AND SHE EXPECTS TO MEET HIM IN CURACAO. (FIELD COMMENT: BRANKO

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IS PROBABLY BRANKO MILIJANOVIC, FIRST SECRETARY OF THE YUGOSLAV EMBASSY IN MEXICO AND IDENTIFIED YUGOSLAV INTELLIGENCE AGENT. MILIJANOVIC CAME TO PANAMA ON 23 JANUARY AND LEFT FOR SAN JOSE ON 28 JANUARY. ON 27 JANUARY, ACCORDING TO A USUALLY RELIABLE SOURCE, MRS. KING AND MILIJANOVIC HAD LUNCH TOGETHER, AND DURING THE LUNCHEON MILIJANOVIC HAD WARNED MRS. KING THAT THERE WAS GREAT DANGER OF A U.S.-SUPPORTED COUP AGAINST PRESIDENT CHIARI.)

3. FROM CURACAO MRS. KING WILL GO TO MEXICO CITY AND THEN TO HABANA. RICO GALAN WILL ACCOMPANY HER FROM MEXICO TO HABANA.

4. ONE REASON FOR THE TRIP IS TO ARRANGE A MEETING IN MEXICO IN THE NEAR FUTURE BETWEEN AN UNIDENTIFIED EMISSARY OF FIDEL CASTRO AND THREE PANAMANIAN LEFT-WING POLITICAL FIGURES: CARLOS IVAN ZUNIGA, FABIAN ECHEVERS, AND MANUEL SOLIS PALMA. (HEADQUARTERS COMMENT: TDCSDB-3/659,400, OF 6 FEBRUARY, CONTAINED A STATEMENT WHICH INDICATED THAT ZUNIGA CONTEMPLATED VISITING MEXICO. BOTH ZUNIGA AND ECHEVERS ARE PROMINENT IN THE PANAMANIAN SOCIALIST PARTY. MANUEL SOLIS PALMA IS THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION.)

5. FIELD DISSEM: STATE, ARMY, NAVY, AIR, CINCSO, CINCLANT, CINCPANAMA.

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TO: Chief of Station, Mexico City

INFO. Chief of Base, Merida
Chief, WHD
Chief of Station, Panama City

FROM: Chief of Station, Santo Domingo

SUBJECT: Travel of Victor Rico Galan

ACTION REQUIRED - REFERENCES

ACTION REQUIRED: For your information

REFERENCE: HMMA-22801, 24 January 1964

Subject said at the airport in Santo Domingo on departure that he would travel to Miami. However, he was manifested to Kingston, and por KNGS 1097, traveled there and departed on Mexicana flight 304 to Mexico. WAVE did not have any information on his arrival there, por WAVE 0874. (NOTE: Neither KNGS 1097 dated 23 January nor WAVE 0874 dated 22 January were sent to Panama or Merida.)

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REQUEST TRACES SUBJECT REF. FYI SUBJECT OBSERVED TRAVELING WITH IDEN WHO IDENTIFIED CUBAN AGENT WORKING WITH LATIN AMERICAN CASTROIST SUBVERSIVE, INTEL AND INSURGENT GROUPS.

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WH COMMENT: SDOM traces on Emilio Paulon.

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SOURCE AND APPRAISAL:

FIELD REPORT NO.

Victor Rico-Galan 201-336474

1. VICTOR RICO GALAN, MEXICAN MARXIST JOURNALIST,, LEFT MEXICO CITY FOR HABANA,CUBA, BY AIR ON 28 JAN 64. HE CARRIED MEXICAN PASSPORT NO 56341 AND HAD A CUBAN COURTESY VISA. RICO'S TRAVL DOCUMENTS SHOWED THAT HE WAS PLANNING TO STAY AT THE HOTEL RIVIERA IN HABANA.

2. FIELD COMMENT. IT IS PRESUMED THAT RICO GALAN WILL INTERVIEW FIDEL CASTRO RUZ, PRIME MINISTER OF CUBA, ABOUT HIS RECENT VISIT TO THE USSR. IT ALREADY HAS BEEN REPORTED THAT RICO CONFERRED WITH CASTRO IN LATE MAY AND EARLY JUNE 1963 UPON CASTRO'S RETURN FROM HIS PREVIOUS TRIP TO THE SOVIET UNION. IT HAS ALSO BEEN

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REPORTED THAT RICO IS AN AGENT OF CASTRO AND HAD BEEN ASSIGNED BY CASTRO TO VISIT VARIOUS LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES TO CONFER WITH COMMUNIST AND LEFTIST LEADERS FOR THE PURPOSE OF INITIATING PROGRAMS OF ANTI-UNITED STATES VIOLENCE AND SABOTAGE. AMONG LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES VISITED BY RICO GALAN BETWEEN OCTOBER AND DECEMBER 1963 WERE VENEZUELA, COSTA RICA, NICARAGUA, GUATEMALA, BRAZIL, AND PANAMA. RICO GALAN VISITED THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC FROM 8 TO 15 JAN 64).

3. FIELD DISSEM STATE FBI ARMY NAVY AIR I&NS CINCSO CINCLANT

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TO: Chief of Station, Dominican Republic
Chief of Base, Merida
INFO: Chief, Western Hemisphere Division
Chief of Station, Panama
FROM: Chief of Station, Mexico City

SUBJECT: Travel of Victor Rico Galan, Mexican Marxist Journalist and Agent of Fidel Castro Rus

ACTION REQUIRED: NO URGENCY

ACTION: Merida, Santo Domingo: See request in paragraph 2

REFERENCES: MEXI 7890, MEXI 7733, MEXI 7695, SDOM 2626
SDOM 2622, SDOM 2619, (None of which were sent to Merida)

1. MEXI 7695 (DOI 7 January 1964) reported that Victor Rico Galan, Mexican Marxist journalist and agent of Fidel Castro Rus, Prime Minister ofCuba, was making preparations to go to the Dominican Republic. SDOM 2610 reported that Victor Rico arrived in the Dominican Republic from Kingston, Jamaica, on 8 January 1964 aboard Pan American flight 431.

2. SDOM 2619 reported that Victor Rico left the Dominican Republic for Mexico via Miami on 15 January aboard Pan American flight 432. SDOM 2622 reported that Victor Rico left the Dominican Republic for Kingston on 15 January 1964 by Pan American airlines. Station Mexico City does not have the airlist in question. In order to keep an accurate record of Rico Galan's travel, Station Mexico City requests Station Santo Domingo and the Merida Base if possible to furnish specific and accurate information on Rico's return trip from the Dominican Republic to Mexico.

3. For the information of Merida Base, Rico Galan, a member of the propaganda committee of the Movimiento de Liberacion Nacional (MLN - National Liberation Movement), pro-Cuba, anti-United States Communist front, and a writer for Siempre, Mexican leftist magazine, visited Panama, Guatemala, Nicaragua, Costa Rica, Venezuela, and Brazil between mid-October and mid-December 1963. According to a number of earlier reports furnished by usually reliable sources in Mexico, Panama, and other Latin American stations, Rico Galan spent eight days in Cuba during late May and early June 1963 interviewing Castro on the latter's stay in the USSR. During this period, Rico Galan was given an assignment to visit countries in Central and South America where he was to confer with Communist leaders and instruct them to begin immediate acts of sabotage and violence to take the pressure off Venezuela. He was also instructed to persuade competing leftist factions in the countries visited to unite so that their work would have greater impact. In all of the countries he visited, Rico Galan conferred with leading Communists and leftists. Rico Galan's trip to the Dominican Republic was ostensibly to collect material for newspaper articles. According to SDOM 2626 during his visit there, Rico Galan attempted to get photographs of Dominican guerrilla leaders killed at Las

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Managua on 21 December 1963, for propaganda purposes. MEXI 7890 reported that Rico Galan was planning to fly to Cuba from Mexico by 27 January 1964. Station presumes that Rico Galan's purpose in going to Cuba is to confer again with Castro upon the latter's return to Cuba from his present visit to the Soviet Union, and receive further instructions from Castro re future anti-United States acts of sabotage and violence in Latin America. The local press of 24 January reported that Castro returned to Cuba from the USSR on 23 January. According to HLP 6340, Rico Galan has been known to use the name Armando Costa. CUBAN EXILE ACC JOURNALIST AGENT OF FIDEL CASTRO CUZ THIS NAME IS AN AKA FOR VICTOR RICO GALAN 201-336474

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TO DESTROY ☐ SD DIRECTOR

FROM: MEXICO CITY

ACTION: IW

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PROJECTED TRAVEL TO CUBA OF VICTOR RICO GALAN DOI 21 JAN 64 PADA EXICO MEXICO CITY 22 JAN 64 APR 2 SOURCE PERSON (S) WITH GOOD CONNECTIONS IN THE CUBAN EMBASSY IN MEXICO.

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COUNTRY MEXICO / CUBA

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PROJECTED TRAVEL TO CUBA OF VICTOR RICO GALAN

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SOURCE AND APPRAISAL

FIELD REPORT NO. HMM-8339

PERSON (B) WITH GOOD CONTACTS IN THE CUBAN EMBASSY IN MEXICO CITY. APPRAISAL; 2.

1. ON 21 JAN VICTOR RICO GALAN, MEXICAN MARXIST JOURNALIST, ASKED JOSE MIGUEL FERNANDEZ ROA, THIRD SECRETARY AND PRESS ATTACHE OF THE CUBAN EMBASSY IN MEXICO WHAT THE FIRST AVAIL FLIGHT TO CUBA WOULD BE. FERNANDEZ SAID ON 24 JAN. RICO SAID HE HAD WANTED TO GO TO CUBA ON 23 JAN, BUT INDICATED HE MIGHT GO ON THE FLT OF 27 JAN.

2. FIELD COMMENT. EARLIER REPORTS FROM A NUMBER OF USUALLY RELIABLE SOURCES HAVE IDENTIFIED RICO GALAN AS AN AGENT OF FIDEL CASTRO RUZ, PRIME MINISTER OF CUBA. IN LATE MAY AND EARLY JUNE 1963 RICO GALAN SPENT EIGHT DAYS IN CUBA INTERVIEWING CASTRO ON THE LATTER'S VISIT TO THE USSR. ON THIS OCCASION CASTRO ORDERED RICO TO VISIT VARIOUS CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICAN COUNTRIES AND

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INSTRUCT LEADING COMMUNISTS THERE TO INITIATE PROGRAMS OF ANTI-UNITED STATES VIOLENCE AND SABOTAGE. BETWEEN OCTOBER AND DECEMBER 1963 RICO VISITED VENEZUELA, COSTA RICA, NICARAGUA, GUATEMALA, BRAZIL, AND PANAMA AND CONFERRED WITH COMMUNIST LEADERS IN EACH OF THESE COUNTRIES. ON 8 JAN 1964 RICO WENT TO THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC FROM MEXICO. DURING HIS VISIT THERE, RICO ATTEMPTED TO GET PHOTOGRAPHS OF DOMINICAN GUERRILLA LEADERS KILLED AT LAS MANACLAS ON 21 DEC 1963, FOR PROPAGANDA PURPOSES. ACCCORDING TO A USUALLY RELIABLE SOURCE IN THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, RICO WAS SCHEDULED TO RETURN TO MEXICO FROM THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC BY AIR ON 15 JAN).

3. FIELD COMMENT. IT IS PRESUMED THAT RICO GALAN IS GOING TO CUBA TO AGAIN CONFER WITH CASTRO UPON THE LATTER'S RETURN FROM HIS PRESENT TRIP TO THE USSR. THE EXACT DATE OF CASTRO'S RETURN TO CUBA FROM THE USSR IS NOT KNOWN, HOWEVER, ACCORDING TO THE LOCAL PRESS OF 22 JAN, CASTRO LEFT MOSCOW FOR KIEV FOR A FOUR DAY VISIT, THENCE RETURNING TO MOSCOW. IT IS PRESUMED THAT CASTRO WILL THEN RETURN TO HABANA.

4. FIELD DISSEM STATE FBI ARMY NAVY AIR ISNS CINCSO CINCLANT.

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DIRECTOR

FROM : KINGSTON

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S E C R E T 2218392 22 Jan 64 IN 03663

DIR INFO MEXI SDOM WAVE POSN CITE KNGS 1897

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REF: WAVE 0374 (NOT SENT POSN) (IN 03059)

VICTOR RICO CALAN ARRIVED KNGS FROM SDOM 15 JANUARY 1964 ON PAA FLIGHT 432. HE CONTINUED SAME DATE TO MEXI ON MEXICANA FLIGHT 334. WHEN CHECKING IN FOR LATTER FLIGHT AIRLINE PERSONNEL NOTICED HE ACCOMPANIED BY FOLLOWING WHO TOOK SAME FLIGHT AND WITH WHOM HE APPRARED TO BE TRAVELING, AS IN A GROUP:

A. B. NOBUYUKI MKAIDO (SEE POSN 0371 NOT SENT SDOM MEXI)

B. ADALBERT CORTESI, MEXICAN NATIONAL.

C. EMILIO PAULON, ITALIAN NATIONAL WHO ALSO HAD ARRIVED KNGS FROM SDOM ON PAA 432 WITH RICO.

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DIR INFO MEXI KUBS SDOM CITE WAVE 0874

21 Jan 64 IN 03059

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REFS A. SDOM 2619 (NOT SENT KUBS) (IN 99172)

B. DIR 05773 (NOT SENT SDOM)

C. DIR 94063

CHECK WITH ODURGE AND ODPOON REVEALED SUBJECT NOT ARRIVED WAVE AREA VIA PANAM 432 FOR PERIOD 14 JAN TO DATE. SUBJ NAME PLACED ON ODURGE AIRPORT WATCHLIST. WILL ADVISE IF SHOWS UP WAVE AREA.

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C/S COMMENT: *REQUESTED ASSISTANCE IN DISCREET COVERAGE (VICTOR RICO GALAN) ACTIVITIES.

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TO : DIRECTOR

FROM : SANTO DOMINGO

ACTION: C/WH 5

INFO : DDP, ADDP, C/CI, C/FI/D 4, C/SAS, VR

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DIR [illegible] MEXI CITE SDOX 2634

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201600Z IN 02099

REF: A DIR 94953

B SDOX 2612 (IN 97243)

C SDOX 2626 (IN 00[illegible])

1. EMDAM-1 TOLD 13 JAN BY STATION THAT VICTOR RICO POSSIBLY IN DOMREP, THAT HE MEXICAN LEFTIST WHO BELIEVED BE WORKING FOR CASTRO CAUSE WHO HAD VISITED PANAMA AND OTHER WH COUNTRIES, AND WAS SORT WHO COULD TRY STIMULATE 14 JUNE SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITY. POINTED OUT THAT AS WRITER HE UNDOUBTEDLY COULD PRINT UNFAVORABLE MATERIAL RE GOVR AND SUGGESTED CIRCUMSPECT HANDLING. EMDAM-1 PASSED ABOVE TO EMOTH-10 AND TO EMCLINT-1.

2. DURING RICO'S LAST HOURS HERE, EMDAM-1 SAID HE DISCREETLY SURVEILLED BUT NO INFO ON CONTACTS OBTAINED. PROBABLY AS INFO HIS ARRIVAL REACHED THEM SEVERAL DAYS TOO LATE.

3. EMDAM-1 SAID DOMREP VISA SUBJECT ISSUED FO DEPT JUST AFTER RICO DEPARTURE FROM MEXI CITY AND FEW DAYS PRIOR ARRIVAL CONVENTION, BUT THERE NO RECORD HERE. DOMREP FOREIGN

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RELATIONS OFFICE AS WOULD BE NORMAL.

4. GODR DID NOT MOLEST RICO. HE HAD FIVE DAY VISA WHICH OVERSTAYED FEW HOURS BUT MADE NO REQUEST FOR EXTENSION, WHICH GODR PREPARED DENY HAD HE REQUESTED IT. TO DATE ALL INDICATIONS ARE INFO HIS PRESENCE HERE HANDLED DISCREETLY BY GODR.

5. NO INDEX.

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C/S COMMENT: *INTEL REPORT RE VICTOR RICO ATTEMPT TO PHOTOGRAPH DOMINICAN GUERRILLAS KILLED AT LAS MANACLAS.

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ORIG : D. B. MCGRATH
UNIT : WH/6/DR
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DATE : 20 JAN 1964

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TO : KINGSTON JMWAVE MEXICO CITY

FROM : DIRECTOR

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TO KNGS INFO WAVE MEXI CITE DIR 95773

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REF: A. SDCN 2622 (IN 00010)

B. TDCS-3/569,940 (BEING RELAYED KNGS)

C. DIR 94953 (BEING RELAYED KNGS)

D. SDCN 2625 (IN 00755)

1. REFS B AND C CONTAIN BACKGROUND ON VICTOR RICO GALAN. REF C INFO AND INSTRUCTIONS ALSO APPLY JAMAICA VIEW PRESENCE AND ACTIVITIES DUCOUDRAY AND OTHER DOMINICAN EXILES.

2. REQUEST YOU PASS CONTENTS REF B TO RUABBE WITH REMARKS EMPHASIZING SENSITIVITY AND IMPORTANCE, REQUEST ASSISTANCE IN DISCREET COVERAGE SUBJECT'S ACTIVITIES. NOTE SUBJECT ALSO REPORTED DEPARTED DOMREP FOR MIAMI 15 JANUARY. HOWEVER HE HAS ALREADY TRANSITTED KNGS EN ROUTE DOMREP (8 JANUARY) AND LIKELY TRANSITTING OR VISITING AGAIN ON RETURN. MAY ALREADY HAVE DEPARTED FOR MEXICO OR OTHER DESTINATION.

3. CIA HAS ADVISED ON DEVELOPMENTS.

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ORIG : DAVID MCGRATH
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WH COMMENT: Refs A, B, and C contain information on Victor RICO Galan and his travel to Dom Rep and advise SDCH concerning the handling of this matter with liaison. Ref D reports RICO's approach to a news photographer in Dom Rep to get photos of bodies of guerrilla leaders (especially M. TAVARES Justo).

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FROM : MEXICO CITY

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SDOM INFO DIR WAVE CITE MEXI 7818

17 JAN 64 IN 00177

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REF SDOM 2619 (IN 99172)

STATION HAS LOOK OUT CARD ON SUBJECT OF REF ON FILE WITH APPROPRIATE SECTION OF HBFINCH. SUBJ HAS NEVER APPLIED FOR ENTRY TO U.S. THROUGH HBFINCH NOR HAVE THEY RECD ANY QUERY CONCERNING SUBJECTS REQUEST FOR ENTRY. NO INDEX.

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C/S COMMENT: *VICTOR RICO GALAN, MEXICAN MARXIST JOURNALIST, LEFT SDOM FOR MIAMI ON 15 JAN 64 VIA PANAM 432.

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TDCS-3/570,355

SECRET 171907Z HMM UFG HZP 17 JAN 20362 64 IN 00755

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SUPDATA STATION OFFICER FROM RAMON LORA ESPINAL, A PHOTOGRAPHER FOR LISTIN DIARIO WHO TOOK THE PHOTOGRAPHS. VICTOR RICO GALAN WAS PUT IN TOUCH WITH LORA THROUGH EMMA TAVAREZ, WHO HAD BEEN IN LAS MANACLAS WHEN LORA TOOK THE PHOTOGRAPHS.

FILED 171907Z REPORT CLASS SECRET/NO FOREIGN DISSEM (COUNTRY) DOMINICAN REPUBLIC SUBJ ATTEMPT BY VICTOR RICO GALAN, MEXICAN MARXIST JOURNALIST, TO GET PHOTOGRAPHS OF DOMINICAN GUERRILLAS KILLED AT LAS MANACLAS DOI 10 JANUARY 1964 PADA DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, SAN TO DOMINGO (16 JANUARY 1964) APPR 2 HDC 832 SOURCE DOMINICAN (F) WITH CONTACTS AMONG MEMBERS OF THE AGRUPACION POLITICA CATORCE DE JUNIO Lydex F

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COUNTRY DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

TDCS -3/570,355

DATE OF INFO. 10 JANUARY 1964

DISTR. 18 JANUARY 1964

SUBJECT

ATTEMPT BY RICO GALAN, MEXICAN MARXIST JOURNALIST, TO GET PHOTOGRAPHS OF DOMINICAN GUERILLAS KILLED AT LAS MANACLAS

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PLACE & DATE ACQ. SANTO DOMINGO (16 JANUARY 1964)

REF IN 00755

SOURCE AND APPRAISAL: FIELD REPORT NO. HDC 832

A DOMINICAN (C) WITH CONTACTS AMONG THE MEMBERS OF THE AGRUPACION POLITICA CATORCE DE JUNIO.

APPRAISAL: 2

1. ON 10 JANUARY 64, VICTOR RICO GALAN, MEXICAN MARXIST JOURNALIST, ASKED EMMA TAVAREZ JUSTO (SEX & CIT: DOMINICAN REPUBLIC VICTOR DOMINICAN REPUBLIC 201-325376 late 1 OF MANUEL TAVAREZ JUSTO, FORMER PRESIDENT OF THE AGRUPACION POLITICA CATORCE DE JUNIO (APCJ 14TH OF (Pro Castro Group in DR) JUNE POLITICAL GROUP), FOR PHOTOGRAPHS OF THE CADAVERS OF THE GUERRILLAS KILLED AT LAS MANACLAS ON 21 DECEMBER 63 for Mexican Communist Victor Rico. 1963. (FIELD COMMENT. RICO, WHOSE TRAVEL THROUGHOUT CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA HAS BEEN THE SUBJECT OF PREVIOUS REPORTS, ARRIVED IN THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC 8 JANUARY 64 AND DEPARTED 15 JANUARY 64 FOR KINGSTON,

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JAMAICA VIA PAN AMERICAN. TAVAREZ WAS KILLED BY THE DOMINICAN ARMED FORCES ON 21 DECEMBER 63. NO ONE HAS YET BEEN NAMED TO REPLACE HIM). EMMA TAVAREZ, HOWEVER, WAS UNABLE TO GET THEM FOR HIM. RICO ALSO REQUESTED THE PHOTOGRAPHS OF RAFAEL HERRERA, DIRECTOR OF LISTIN DIARIO, BUT HERRERA REFUSED TO RELEASE THEM. (SOURCE COMMENT. THE PHOTOGRAPHS HAD BEEN TAKEN AS THE BODIES WERE REMOVED FROM A COMMON GRAVE, WHERE THEY HAD BEEN STACKED CROSSWISE. ALL THE VICTIMS HAD BEEN SHOT THROUGH THE HEAD. THE BACK OF TAVAREZ' HEAD HAD BEEN TORN AWAY BY GUNFIRE. HE HAD ALSO SUFFERED A KNIFE OR BAYONET WOUND IN THE STOMACH. THE PICTURES, WHICH HAVE NEVER APPEARED IN THE PRESS, ARE BEING HELD IN THE ARCHIVES OF LISTIN DIARIO.)

2. FIELD DISSEM. STATE ARMY NAVY AIR CINCSO CINCLANT.

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ORIG: [illegible]
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EXT: 5940
DATE: 16 Jan 1964

File 201-336474 Folder

TO: FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

FROM: DIRECTOR CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

CONF: WH 8

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1. REFERENCE IS MADE TO THIS AGENCY'S TDCS-3/569,940 DISTRIBUTED ON 15 JANUARY 1964, SUBJECT: TRAVEL OF VICTOR RICO GALAN, MEXICAN MARXIST JOURNALIST, TO THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC.

2. INFORMATION HAS BEEN RECEIVED FROM A DOMINICAN SECURITY SERVICE THAT VICTOR RICO GALAN LEFT SANTO DOMINGO FOR MIAMI, FLORIDA, ON 15 JANUARY 1964 ON PAN AMERICAN FLIGHT 432.

3. THIS INFORMATION IS BEING MADE AVAILABLE TO THE IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE.

END OF MESSAGE

BASED ON SIKM-2619 (IN 99172), 15 JAN 1964.

JANE ROMAN
CI/LIA

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MEXI DIR INFO WAVE CITE SDOM 2622 16 JAN 64 IN 00010

REF: SDOM 2619 (IN 99172)*

1. VICTOR RICO, MEXICAN, LEFT SDOM FOR KNGS ON 15 JAN 64 VIA PANAM. (SOURCE: AIRLISTS)

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C/S COMMENT: *VICTOR RICO GALAN LEFT SDOM FOR MIAMI ON 15 JAN.

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TO SDOM INFO MEXI, WAVE CITE DIR 94953

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REFS: A. SDOM 2619 (IN 99172)

B. DIR 79062 (BEING RELAYED SDOM WAVE)

C. TDCS 3/563,671 (BEING RELAYED SDOM WAVE)

1. REFS B AND C GIVE BACKGROUND TO VICTOR RICO GALAN, PURPOSE IN DOMREP PRESUMABLY SIMILAR TO THAT DESCRIBED IN LATTER REFS AND PROBABLY RELATES SPECIFICALLY TO APCJ INSURGENCY.

2. DESIRABLE MAINTAIN GODR INTEREST IN SUBJECT VIEW PROBABLE SIGNIFICANCE HIS ACTIVITIES IN DR AND POSSIBILITY HE MAY GO THERE AGAIN. HOWEVER, OWING SENSITIVITY THIS MATTER, STATION SHOULD PASS NO FURTHER INFO BEYOND CONTENTS MEXI 7738, DRAWING ATTENTION SUBJECT'S PROBABLE CONNECTION WITH APCJ INSURGENCY.

3. PLEASE INFORM HOS DETAILS PASSAGE AND HANDLING BY [illegible] SECURITY SERVICE AND OTHER GODR OFFICIALS INVOLVED. ALSO ADVISE ANY FURTHER DETAILS STATION ABLE ACQUIRE CONCERNING SUBJECT'S ITINERARY ACTIVITIES, CONTACTS IN DR.

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TO INFO CITE DIR 94953

4. FOR NAVE: REQUEST EMPLOY LOCAL OFFICIAL ODYOKE LIAISONS FOR COVERAGE SUBJECT'S ACTIVITIES YOUR AREA.

END OF MESSAGE

WH COMMENT: *A. Subject departed DomRep for Miami 15 January 1963.
B. Informed certain field stations of subject's itinerary and mission and specified types coverage required.
C. Gave details Subject's Castro connections and above mission.

SAS/CI Anita Potocki (in draft)

WH/PO/A Helen Priest (in draft)

WH/3 Charlotte Bustos (in draft)

J. C. KING
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R. N. DAHLGREN
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S E C R E T 151645Z

15 JAN 64 IN 99172

DIR MEXI INFO WAVE CITE SDOM 2619

REFS: SDOM 2407 (NOT SENT WAVE) 1610*

MEXI 7738 (NOT SENT WAVE) (IN 97485) **

1. VICTOR RICO GALAN, MEXICAN MARXIST JOURNALIST, LEFT SDOM FOR MIAMI ON 15 JAN 64 VIA PANAM 432. (SOURCE/ DOMINICAN SECURITY SERVICE). NO FURTHER INFO AVAILABLE.

2. INDEX.

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C/S COMMENT: *APPARENTLY WRONG REFERENCE. POSSIBLY SDOM 2610 (IN 97187) INTENDED.

**INTEL RPT RE TRAVEL OF VICTOR RICO GALAN TO DOMINICAN REPUBLIC.

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MEXI INFO DIR CITE SDOM 2610

REF: SDOM 2606 (IN 96608)

1. VICTOR RICO, MEXICAN, PROBABLY IDENTICAL SUBJECT REF, ARRIVED SDOM PANAM 431 FROM KINGSTON 8 JAN (SOURCE: [illegible]) FLIGHT MANIFEST.

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SDOH INFO DIR CITE MEXI 7738

REF MEXI 7699 (IN 95254) **

IN VIEW IMPORTANCE PRESENT SITUATION PACY, PERMISSION GRANTED PASS INFO CONTAINED IN REF AS REQUESTED BY SDOH 2636. *

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CS COMMENT: **IN 96608

**INTEL RPT RE PROJECTED TRAVEL OF VICTOR RICO GALAN TO DOMINICAN REPUBLIC.

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TO: DIRECTOR

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YSDOM INFO DIR PACY CITE MEXI 7738

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REF MEXI 7695(IN 95254)

SDOM 2610(IN 97187)

SUBDATA SOURCE LIENVOY FROM TELCONS BETWEEN WIFE OF RICO GALAN AND TIBOL. WIFE'S NAME UNKNOWN. AVAILABLE AIRLISTS DO NOT SHOW TRAVEL OF SUBJECT. ACCORDING HZF-634Ø, RICO GALAN HAS BEEN KNOWN TO USE NAME ARMANDO CONTE. SDOM HAS PERMISSION PASS INFO BELOW TO HIGH LEVEL GODR MENTIONED SDOM 2606.(IN 96608). VICTOR RICO REPORTED SDOM 2610 (IN 97187) OBVIOUSLY IDENTICAL RICO GALAN. SDOM ASKED, IF POSSIBLE, TO REPORT TO MEXICO SUBJECT'S ACTIVITIES IN DDM DEP. FILED 132000Z REPORT CLASS SECRET NO FOREIGN DISSEM HMH 82/8 MEXICO/DOMINICAN

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SOURCE AND APPRAISAL:

FIELD REPORT NO.

1. ON 10 JANUARY 1964 THE WIFE OF VICTOR RICO GALAN, MEXICAN MARXIST JOURNALIST, ADVISED RAQUEL TIBOL, PROMINENT MEXICAN MARXIST JOURNALIST AND MEMBER OF THE STAFF OF POLITICA, MEXICAN COMMUNIST SEMI-MONTHLY MAGAZINE, THAT RICO GALAN WAS IN THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC. MRS. RICO GALAN EXPRESSED THE OPINION HER HUSBAND WOULD RETURN TO MEXICO SOMETIME DURING THE WEEK OF 12 JANUARY.

2. FIELD COMMENT. AN EARLIER REPORT SAID RICO GALAN WAS PREPARING TO GO TO THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC FOR THE OSTENSIBLE PURPOSE OF GATHERING MATERIAL FOR NEWSPAPER ARTICLES. OTHER EARLIER REPORTS

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HAVE IDENTIFIED RICO GALAN AS AN AGENT OF FIDEL CASTRO, WHO IN MAY 1963 WAS GIVEN AN ASSIGNMENT BY CASTRO TO VISIT CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICAN COUNTRIES TO CONFER WITH LEADING COMMUNISTS IN ORDER TO INITIATE PROGRAMS OF ANTI-US VIOLENCE AND SABOTAGE. SINCE OCTOBER 1963 RICO GALAN HAS VISITED VENEZUELA, COSTA RICA, NICARAGUA, GUATEMALA, BRAZIL AND PANAMA.)

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FROM : SANTO DOMINGO

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REXI INFO DIR CITE SDOM 2606

REF: MEXI 7695 (IN 95254)

1. SDOM WOULD LIKE INFORM HIGH LEVEL GODM MEMBER [illegible] WHEN IN REGULAR CONTACT OF RICO GALAN TRAVEL EARLIEST [illegible], THUS WHEN TRAVEL VERIFIED BY LESS SENSITIVE SOURCE [illegible] OF CABLE SDOM SO INFO MAY BE PASSED.

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FROM: MEXICO CITY

ACTION: IM

INFO: ADOP, DDDS, CA 2, CA/PEG, CA/PROP, CA/O 4, CI/OPS, CI/IC 2, FI, FI/O, FI/INT 6, WH 17, DD/I, AD/CI 2, VR.

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SUPDATA SOURCE LIENVOY FROM TELCON BETWEEN FERNANDO CARMONA AND HEBERTO CASTILLO, BOTH NATIONAL LEADERS OF THE MLN. CARMONA PASSED THE INFO ON RICO GALAN TO CASTILLO.

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Intelligence Information Cable

COUNTRY MEXICO / DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

TDCS-3/569,563

DATE OF INFO. 7 JANUARY 1964

DISTR. 10 JANUARY 1964

SUBJECT

PROJECTED TRAVEL OF VICTOR RICO GALAN TO THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

PLACE & DATE ACQ. MEXICO, MEXICO CITY (8 JANUARY 1964)

REF IN 95254

FIELD REPORT NO. HMM 8262

SOURCE AND APPRAISAL: PERSONS (B) IN CLOSE PERSONAL CONTACT WITH RICO GALAN.

APPRAISAL: 2

201-336474

1. VICTOR RICO GALAN, MEXICAN MARXIST JOURNALIST, IS MAKING PREPARATIONS TO GO TO THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC FROM MEXICO IN THE VERY NEAR FUTURE. THE PURPOSE OF RICO GALAN'S VISIT IS OSTENSIBLY TO GATHER INFORMATION FOR THE PREPARATION OF SOME ARTICLES ON THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC.

2. (FIELD COMMENT: RICO GALAN; A MEMBER OF THE PROPAGANDA COMMITTEE OF THE MOVIMIENTO DE LIBERACION NACIONAL (MLN- NATIONAL LIBERATION MOVEMENT , PRO-CUBA, ANTI UNITED STATES MEXICAN COMMUNIST FRONT, AND A WRITER FOR SIEMPRE, MEXICAN LEFTIST MAGAZINE, VISITED PANAMA, GUATEMALA, NICARAGUA, COSTA RICA, VENEZUELA, AND BRAZIL BETWEEN MID-OCTOBER AND MID-DECEMBER 1963. ACCORDING TO SEVERAL EARLIER REPORTS

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RICO GALAN SPENT EIGHT DAYS IN CUBA DURING MAY AND JUNE 1963 INTERVIEWING FIDEL CASTRO RUZ, PRIME MINISTER OF CUBA, ON THE LATTER'S STAY IN THE USSR. DURING THIS PERIOD RICO GALAN WAS GIVEN AN ASSIGNMENT TO VISIT COUNTRIES IN CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICAN, WHERE HE WAS TO PERSUADE LEFTIST PARTIES TO BEGIN IMMEDIATE ACTS OF SABOTAGE AND VIOLENCE TO TAKE THE PRESSURE OFF VENEZUELA. HE WAS ALSO INSTRUCTED TO PURSUE COMPETING LEFTIST FACTIONS IN THE COUNTRIES HE VISITED TO UNIFY SO THEIR WORK WOULD HAVE GREATER IMPACT.(IN THE) VARIOUS COUNTRIES HE VISITED, RICO GALAN CONFERRED WITH LEADING COMMUNISTS AND LEFTISTS.)

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TO : DIRECTOR

FROM : RIO DE JANEIRO

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INFO : DDP, ADDP, CI, CI/OPS, CI/IC 2, FI, FI/INT-3, RI/AN, SAS 8, VR

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DIR POUCH LORE INFO MEXI CITE RIOD 2393 13 Dec 63 IN 79596

REF: DIR-79862

1. ABOUT 3 DEC ALSLAB-1 MET MEXICAN VICTOR RICO GALAN, EDITOR OF SIEMPRE, WHO SAID CAME DIRECTLY FROM CUBA WITHOUT STOPPING MEXI AND INTENDS RETURN CUBA SAME ROUTE VERY SOON (SIC). RICO WAS CONSIDERING TRAVELING TO PORTO ALEGRE ON 5 OR 6 DEC.

2. LORE. RICO SUSPECTED PERUMEN AGENT ON SPECIAL MISSION FOR AMTHUG-1. IN BRAZIL WAS TO MEET WITH PRESTES AND JULIAO. DIR REQUESTS ANY INFO HIS TRAVELS AND ON HIS CONTACTS. CABLE ANY INFO PACY. RICO DPOB 6 FEB (alleged 1937) 1933, EL FERROL, MEXI.

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COUNTRY	Panama/Cuba/Mexico	REPORT NO.	CS-3/566,571
SUBJECT	Comments of Leaders of the Vanguard of National Action and The Partido Del Pueblo on Visit Of Castro Agent to Panama	DATE DISTR.	5 December 1963
		NO. PAGES	2
		REFERENCES	RD
DATE OF INFO.	23 October - 5 November 1963		
PLACE & DATE ACQ.	Panama, Panama City (30 October - 7 November 1963)	FIELD REPORT NO.	HZP-6340

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SOURCE: Para. 1: Leader (F) of the Vanguard of National Action who was present when Turner made his remarks.
Para. 2,3: Leaders (B) of the Partido del Pueblo to whom Souza and Thomas made their remarks.
Appraisal of Content: 2.

1. On 23 October 1963 David Turner, leader of the Vanguard of National Action (VAN - radical pro-Cuban revolutionary group), informed members of the VAN directorate that he had received a call from Thelma King, pro-Cuban deputy to the National Assembly, a few days earlier. Turner said that the purpose of the call was to arrange for Turner to meet Victor Rico Galan, a Mexican newspaperman who works for Fidel Castro.[1] Turner said that the interview took place in Rico's room at the Hotel International, and was attended by King, Turner, and Hugo Alejandro Victor, president of the Partido del Pueblo (PDP, People's Party-Communist), with which the VAN is disputing leadership of the revolution in Panama. Turner said that Rico questioned his guests about unity among the leftwing groups in Panama, and Victor coldly informed him only that efforts were being made to reach an understanding. Turner refrained from making any comment at that time. Rico invited his visitors to have lunch with him; however, Victor declined, and King went in search of copies of newspapers which had reproduced statements of Panamanian students warning against plans of the National Guard to stage a coup d'etat in Panama. Rico had specifically asked for these publications. This gave Turner an opportunity to talk alone with Rico, and he informed him of VAN activities and of the steps being taken by the VAN to bring about an armed movement in Panama, since conditions were ripe for such action.

2. Around 26 October 1963 Ruben Dario Souza Batista, national secretary-general of the PDP, said that a Cuban agent had recently visited Panama to urge the VAN and the PDP to resolve their differences and unite. The PDP, however, violently rejected the suggestion. Souza

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said that PDP leaders planned to ascertain the correct name of the agent and submit a written protest concerning his activities to the Soviet Embassy in Mexico.

3. Around 5 November 1963 Ruporto Luther Thomas, national secretary of propaganda of the PDP, informed regional-level PDP leaders that Armando Conte, a writer for Tiempos in Mexico, recently came to Panama and spoke with Victor.2 He said that he was an emissary of the Cubans, and had come to Panama to convince Victor of the need to support the Cuban line of armed revolution. Victor told Conte that the PDP would not be told what to do, because it had its own line on the Panamanian Revolution.

Field Comments

1. Rico arrived in Panama from San Jose, Costa Rica, on 20 October 1963, at which time he provided the following personal data on his landing card:

   Born on 6 February 1928 at El Ferrol /presumably in Mexico/
   Citizen of Mexico, bearer of passport No. 16897
   Occupation - newspaperman
   Permanent Address - Providencia 930, Mexico, D. F.

   Rico left Panama for Venezuela on 22 October 1963.

2. Travel records contain no information on the arrival of any person with the name Armando Conte during the period in question, and the name is believed to be a pseudonym used by Rico. It is interesting to note that two VAN sources identified the visiting Mexican journalist by the name of Rico or Risco; however, no PDP source has reported that name, and Souza's comments as reported in paragraph 2 tend to indicate that the visitor concealed his identity from the PDP.

Headquarters Comment. TDCS-3/563,671, of 31 October 1963, described Rico Galan's visit to Mexico in the same general terms.

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ALACME/ALSTAVE 20 AND 21 NOVEMBER INDICATE THAT LEFTIST MEXICAN JOURNALIST NAMED "VICTOR", PROBABLY IDENTICAL WITH VICTOR RICO GALAN, IN CONTACT WITH PAULO SCHILLING, COORDINATOR OF POPULAR MOBILIZATION FRONT, WHO ATTEMPTING GET THIS JOURNALIST INTERVIEWS WITH FEDERAL DEPUTIES LEONEL BRIZOLA AND NEIVA MOREIRA. SCHILLING INDICATES THAT THE JOURNALIST HAS TO LEAVE BRAZIL VERY SOON AND THAT THIS JORRNALIST SPENT TWENTY DAYS IN VENEZUELA AND WAS IN CONTACT WITH THE MIR THERE.

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C/S COMMENT: *AS OF 20 NOV RIOD UNABLE CONFIRM THRU PCB PENETRATIONS ARRIVAL VICTOR RICO GALAN.

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PACY CITE RIOD 2732

REF A. DIR 79062

B. CARA 8158 (IN 65022) *

AS OF 20 NOVEMBER RIOD UNABLE CONFIRM THROUGH PCB PENETRATIONS ARRIVAL VICTOR RICO GALAN EVEN THOUGH ALSAC 3 BELIEVES HE WOULD KNOW OF ANY CONTACT WITH PRESTES BY TRAVELER FROM LA. WILL CONTINUE CHECKING STATION TRAVEL, PCB AND OTHER SOURCES AND WILL ADVISE.

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FROM : CARACAS

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PRIORITY RICO INFO DIR PACY CITE CARA 8158

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REF: DIR 78513 (NOT SENT RIOD).

1. PORUMEN AGENT VICTOR RICO GALAN. MEXICAN CITIZEN, NEWSPAPERMAN, BORN 6 FEB 1928 AT EL FERROL, MEXICO, PERMANENT ADDRESS PROVIDENCIA 930, MEXICO D.F. DEPARTED CARACAS 12 NOVEMBER VIA PAA FLT NO. 515/12 FOR RIO DE JANEIRO.

2. REF STATES GALAN TRAVELLING THROUGH CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA WITH MISSION PERSUADE LEFTIST PARTIES IN COUNTRIES HE VISITS BEGIN IMMEDIATELY ACTS OF SABOTAGE AND VIOLENCE AND THY MAINTAIN THEM IN ORDER TAKE PRESSURE OFF VENEZUELA. POSSIBLE HAS SOME ARRANGEMENT WITH MEXICAN GOVERNMENT WHICH GIVES HIM SPECIAL PRIVILEGES FROM MEXICAN EMBASSIES IN PLACES HE VISITS.

3. REF REQUESTED CARA DEVELOP ALL POSSIBLE INFO RE GALAN ACTIVITIES. CARA ASSURES SAFE REQUEST APPLIED RIOD.

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1. MATERIAL RECEIVED FROM ESMESSAGE-3 19 NOV 63 CONFIRMS VICTOR RICO GALAN INTERVIEWED GUERRILLA LEADER YON SOSA MID OCT 63.

2. RICO GALAN MET BY RAUL ALARCON MONSANTO GUAT CITY AND TAKEN TO INTERVIEW YON SOSA UNKNOWN SITE.

3. ALARCON PGT MILI TRNG LEADER STUDIED IN MEXI AND CUBA.

4. WILL POUCH DOCUMENT RICO GALAN YON SOSA INTERVIEW AND INFO ALARCON.

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C/S COMMENT: *SUSPECTED PERUVIAN AGENT VICTOR RICO GALAN MEXI JOURNALIST REPORTLY TRAVELLING CENTRAL, SOUTH AMERICAN ON MISSION FOR ANTIOG 1

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FROM : MEXICO CITY

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VICTOR RICO GALAN PUBLISHED INTERVIEW WITH EX PRESIDENT VILLEDA MORALES IN CURRENT ISSUE SIEMPRE. STATION WILL BEGIN POUCHING SIEMPRE REGULARLY TO HQ.

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C/S COMMENT: *APPARENTLY WRONG REFERENCE.

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COUNTRY CUBA/MEXICO/COSTA RICA/NICARAGUA/PANAMA/VENEZUELA/BRAZIL

SUBJECT TRAVEL AND MISSION OF ALLEGED CUBAN AGENT IN CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA

DATE OF INFO. 20-22 OCT 63

PLACE & DATE ACQ PANAMA, PANAMA CITY (24 OCT 63)

APPRAISAL

REPORT NO. TDCS 3/563,671

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SOURCE PANAMANIAN REVOLUTIONARY LEADER (F) WITH GOOD CONTACTS IN CUBA-ORIENTED LEFTIST CIRCLES OF PANAMA.

(HEADQUARTERS COMMENT: VICTOR RICO GALAN, MEXICAN NEWSPAPERMAN, ARRIVED IN PANAMA FROM COSTA RICA ON 20 OCTOBER AND LEFT PANAMA FOR CARACAS 22 OCTOBER 1963. RICO GALAN IS A MARXIST, A WRITER FOR SIEMPRE AND POLITICA, MEXICAN MAGAZINES, AND IS THE HEAD OF THE PROPAGANDA COMMITTEE FOR THE NATIONAL LIBERATION MOVEMENT (MLN), A COMMUNIST-FRONT MOVEMENT HEAVILY INFILTRATED BY MEMBERS OF THE MEXICAN COMMUNIST PARTY. IN OCTOBER 1962 RICO GALAN WENT TO CUBA TO PREPARE A POLITICAL BIOGRAPHY OF FIDEL CASTRO. IN MAY 1963 HE AGAIN WENT TO CUBA, RETURNING TO MEXICO 22 JUNE 1963. DURING THIS LATTER VISIT HE REPORTEDLY INTERVIEWED CASTRO AFTER CASTRO'S RETURN FROM THE SOVIET UNION AND ALSO SPENT A FIVE-DAY SEA-GOING VACATION WITH CASTRO, OF WHOM HE IS SAID TO BE A CLOSE FRIEND. RICO GALAN HAS RECENTLY PUBLISHED INTERVIEWS IN MEXICAN COL ENRIQUE REBALTA, GUATEMALAN

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CHIEF OF GOVERNMENT, AND WITH MARCO ANTONIO YON SOSA, GUATEMALAN GUERRILLA LEADER.)

1. VICTOR RICO GALAN, MEXICAN NEWSPAPERMAN WHO "RECENTLY" SPENT EIGHT DAYS IN CUBA ON "VACATION" WITH FIDEL CASTRO, WAS GIVEN AN ASSIGNMENT DURING THIS PERIOD TO VISIT COUNTRIES IN CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, WHERE HE WAS TO PERSUADE LEFTIST PARTIES TO BEGIN IMMEDIATELY ACTS OF SABOTAGE AND VIOLENCE TO TAKE THE PRESSURE OFF VENEZUELA. RICO GALAN WAS ALSO INSTRUCTED TO TRY TO PERSUADE COMPETING LEFTIST FACTIONS TO UNITY SO THAT THEIR WORK WILL HAVE GREATER IMPACT. (HEADQUARTERS COMMENT: RICO GALAN CLEARLY IMPLIED TO THE SOURCE OF THE INFORMATION THAT THE ASSIGNMENT HE IS NOW FULFILLING WAS GIVEN HIM IN JUNE 63.)

2. RICO GALAN SAID THAT HE HAD COME FROM MEXICO TO GUATEMALA, WHERE HE MET WITH GOMEZ AYAY (PRU), A GUERRILLA LEADER WHOM HE ENCOURAGED TO BEGIN SABOTAGE AND VIOLENT ACTION. HE ALSO MADE A SIMILAR APPROACH TO A NICARAGUAN GUERRILLA LEADER. (HEADQUARTERS COMMENT: IT IS UNCLEAR WHETHER RICO GALAN ACTUALLY VISITED NICARAGUA OR WHETHER HE SAW THIS PERSON IN PROTHERO'S UNITY.) IN COSTA RICA HE TALKED WITH ONE OF THE MORA BROTHERS. (HEADQUARTERS COMMENT: EDUARDO MORA IS PRESENTLY IN COSTA RICA. HIS BROTHER, MANUEL MORA, LEFT COSTA RICA FOR THE USSR, VIA MEXICO, 29 SEPTEMBER 1963. BOTH ARE LEADERS OF THE COSTA RICAN COMMUNIST PARTY.) RICO GALAN ARRIVED IN PANAMA 22 OCTOBER FROM COSTA RICA AND LEFT PANAMA FOR CARACAS 22 OCTOBER 1963. IN CARACAS HE INTENDED TO CONTACT ARSELIA LAYA. (HEADQUARTERS COMMENT: PROBABLY ARSELIA LAYA MONTENEGRO, WIFE

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TO THE VENEZUELAN CONGRESS AND WIFE OF RAFAEL E. MARTINEZ, LEADER OF THE ARMED FORCES OF NATIONAL LIBERATION (FALN - VENEZUELAN TERRORIST ORGANIZATION.)

3. IN PANAMA BETWEEN 20 -22 OCTOBER RICO GALAN CONTACTED HUGO VICTOR, PRESIDENT OF THE PARTIDO DEL PUEBLO (PDP - PEOPLE'S PARTY - COMMUNIST) AND DAVID TURNER, A LEADER OF THE VANGUARD OF NATIONAL ACTION (VAN - PRO-CUBAN, RADICAL REVOLUTIONARY ORGANIZATION). ON 24 OCTOBER A MEETING WAS HELD TO DISCUSS UNITY OF THE LEFT, COMMENCEMENT OF AGGRESSIVE ACTION, AND A MERGER OF LEFTIST UNITS TO GO TO THE ELECTIONS AS A BLOC SHOULD EFFORTS TO PREVENT THE ELECTIONS FAIL. THIS MEETING WAS ATTENDED BY VICTOR, CARLOS DEL CID, ALVARO MENENDEZ FRANCO, THELMA KING, RENATO PEREIRA, AND TWO UNIDENTIFIED STUDENTS. (HEADQUARTERS COMMENT: AN INDEPENDENT, USUALLY RELIABLE SOURCE, WITH GOOD CONTACTS IN THE PDP, REPORTED THE VISIT TO PANAMA OF "A CUBAN WRITER FOR SIEMPRE" WHO WAS ON A MISSION FOR THE CUBAN COMMUNIST PARTY. THE VISITOR WHOM SOURCE DID NOT IDENTIFY BY NAME URGED THE PDP AND THE VAN TO RESOLVE THEIR DIFFERENCES AND UNITE. HIS PROPOSAL WAS VIOLENTLY REJECTED BY THE PDP, WHICH INTENDS TO PROTEST THE PROPOSAL TO THE SOVIET EMBASSY IN MEXICO CITY.)

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ENTREVISTA HECHA EL DIA 24 DE OCTUBRE DE 1963 AL SR. [illegible], DIRIGENTE DE LA [illegible], QUIEN ES CONSIDERADO COMO UNO DE LOS HOMBRES MAS PUBLICADO A TRAVES DE LA PRENSA Y LA RADIO NACIONAL POR PRESUNTOS [illegible] DE LA POLITICA ACTUAL.-

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P.- Sr. [illegible], por hoy le pido que con los cargos, graves de ciertos, que se le han formulado a través de voceros y a través de radio Periódicos, ciertos elementos políticos ?

R.- Bueno, eh, los cargos son absolutamente falsos, una vez que Ud. se pregunte concretamente acerca de cada uno de ellos, yo iré desvirtuándolos, eh, con dar a conocer la verdad, sin embargo es interesante, eh, anticipar la opinión de mi Partido acerca de por qué se ha desatado en los últimos días una campaña tan intensa de difamación contra el Partido Movilización Republicana, nosotros entendemos que ésta campaña se debe a la bien definida posición en que ha asumido la reacción nacional por la adopción por parte de los jóvenes de la Universidad Católica de un programa revolucionario, en efecto, tanto la declaración de principios de los jóvenes de la UCA como sus réplicas contundentes a don PABLO ANTONIO CUADRA, el propio rector de la UCA, el Dr. [illegible] VIVAS, hacen creer en la justeza de su planteamiento.- Ahora bien, el hecho de que esta juventud que ha sido acogido ya en el seno propiciado por los sectores sociales y los sectores de la reacción nacional, está levantando su voz adoptando un lenguaje revolucionario como el de todos los partidos de América Latina y el hecho de que esa declaración de principios de los jóvenes de la católica, tengan algunas similitud real con el programa político del Partido Movilización Republicana, es la causa verdadera para que se haya levantado toda esta tempestad contra el Partido, sin embargo, eh, no podemos nosotros evitar que por una necesidad histórica del desarrollo social de los pueblos Latinoamericanos, sea por razones de juventud, los jóvenes de la católica vayan despreciando lo viejo, lo que ya ayuda en la sociedad nicaragüense y vayan solidarizando con los Partidos que como Movilización Republicana, representan lo nuevo, lo progresista, el fenómeno moderno y revolucionario dentro de nuestro país.-

P.- Sr. [illegible], quiero informarle que dado información dió en cadena reportaje sobre lo que ya se ha dado en llamar un grave caso entre los [illegible] y también una acusación grave contra el Sr. en primer lugar, qué hay con respecto al caso del joven [illegible] ?

R.- En lo que se ha llamado el caso del amigo [illegible], no es más que un retiro de la dirección del seminario M. del caso de la dirección nacional del Partido Movilización Republicana, por causas puramente particulares debido a las especulaciones personales del Sr. [illegible], pasó ha existido una [illegible] pugna y discusión ideológica dentro del Partido Movilización Republicana, es una especulación totalmente carente de toda cierta decir que [illegible], se vá porque tiene una posición nacionalista porque todo el Partido M. tiene una posición nacionalista, es absurdo decir que [illegible] se vá porque supuestamente que el Sr. se iba a someter a nivel de [illegible], porque el Partido Movilización Republicana jamás aceptaría injerencias o dirigencia potencia extranjera, el Partido Movilización Republicana tiene su política dentro de los fenómenos sociales, nosotros nos dirigimos por nosotros mismos, además bien, para desmentir rotundamente los falsos de las declaraciones anteriores que según la prensa [illegible] con fecha anterior del Partido Movilización Republicana en la asamblea del domingo pasado pasado, en buena cuenta, [illegible] se encontró, no asistió a esa reunión, de manera que jamás pudo hacer esa cuestión [illegible] cuando no asistió alguien a dicha reunión.-

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P.- Iba a hacerle otra pregunta [illegible], pero antes quiero decirle, como previo quiero informarle a Ud. si es que acaso está mal informado de que esa información aparecida en ambas informaciones, la suscribí yo y la suscribí en una parte tan cierta como que Ud. se llama Alvaro Castro Morales, de esta cuestión de [illegible] incluso se me dijo los detalles que acerca de la polémica que había sostenido con varios dirigentes del [illegible], el cual, en el cual existía de que debía de tener el Partido [illegible] una posición nacionalista sin China roja y sin Moscú y sin otra influencia, pero Ud. ya aquietó esta pregunta y ahora paso a la siguiente.- Se dijo también de que había graves cargos contra los dirigentes del [illegible], por haber dejado en las montañas abandonados a los jóvenes que habían ido a luchar allí con las armas en las manos, qué hay de estos cargos, graves por cierto ?

R.- El Partido [illegible], no ha tenido jamás alianza, acuerdos o tratos algunos con el Frente Sandinista de Liberación Nacional, autor de las guerrillas en el Norte del País, por manera que no tenemos ningún compromiso con los guerrilleros, mal podría culpársele de haber abandonado a nadie en una empresa por la cual nosotros jamás hemos participado.-

P.- También como la anterior pregunta [illegible] quiero advertirle de que en entrevista que dió al Lic. [illegible] uno de los [illegible] que formaban parte en Sovilización equilibrada se habían ido con el [illegible], ahora también se tuvo conocimiento de que aquí había venido un señor llamado [illegible] representante de la revista o de la publicación "[illegible]" y la revista también o publicación llamada "[illegible]" considerada eminentemente en México como izquierdista, también se dijo que Ud. se había entrevistado en el cuarto [illegible] del [illegible] Hotel con este señor [illegible], privadamente, le advierto que esta información la obtuve [illegible] informaciones en fuente de tanto crédito como lo merece su palabra.-

R.- Bueno, le ya, sobre la cuestión anterior que Ud. insiste en vincular al [illegible] con movimientos guerrilleros, las cosas no son así, el hecho es que el [illegible] jamás ha tenido participación en ninguna insurrección en Nicaragua, no le ha tenido eso es un hecho cierto, el hecho de que algunos muchachos jóvenes del [illegible] hayan participado en alguna actividad guerrillera es un hecho que escapa al control oficial del Partido.- En cuanto a la visita del periodista [illegible] debo decirles que es otra de las tendencias que se han inventado en estos últimos días, [illegible] es un periodista de avanzada continental muy reconocido en su país, México, él como otros muchos periodistas extranjeros que visitan Nicaragua, llegó a mi oficina a hacerme una entrevista, supo por él mismo que había tratado de entrevistar al presidente Schick, que había logrado entrevistar a los funcionarios de la Secretaría de Información y Prensa, que había recibido un homenaje de parte del embajador de México en Managua y que se había visto finalmente con diversas personalidades políticas que a él le interesaban para oír su opinión y formarse un juicio acerca acerca de la situación política de Nicaragua, por otra parte el mismo diario La Nación le hizo una entrevista a [illegible] sobre los últimos acontecimientos acaecidos en la República de Honduras, de manera que su paseo por Nicaragua no tiene nada de clandestino ni de extraordinario, la revista "[illegible]" de la cual él es representante es una revista que solo por ignorancia o por mala fé, se puede calificar de un órgano izquierdista, cualquiera persona que haya estado en México y que haya ido ahí, pues con uso de razón, podrá darse cuenta de que "[illegible]" es una publicación completamente equilibrada, quiero decir con esto de que en esa revista se publica tanto tesis de derecha como tesis de izquierda y que frecuentemente en esa revista [illegible] ha expresado el pensamiento oficial del Gobierno Mexicano, en la revista "[illegible]", en, de la cual tengo aquí un número, puede constarle que apareció precisamente un artículo de [illegible] en que defiende la política exterior del presidente [illegible], de manera...

P.- ...que a este periodista se le pueda calificar de cualquier cosa menos de amigo extranjero, ahora que él se entrevistó en un medio de buenas informaciones de impresiones acerca de la situación nacional sin nada tener más de secreto y sin que tengan carácter de un mensaje político que venía a poner contento al Partido Rn. como lo ha dicho algún periódico, esto es un absurdo que no tiene ninguna base cierta.-

P.- Le decía que el Sr. Nixon recibió, pero antes de formularle la última pregunta quisiera que se contestara categóricamente, le visitó Ud. en el Hotel o no le visitó, porque quiero advertirle que no somos ni hacia informaciones ni los periodistas nacionales los que hemos dado el comentario de errores izquierdistas a las publicaciones que hace el Sr. Nixon sino que son los diarios periódicos de México los que han dicho tal cosa, entonces Ud. que le contestará la pregunta que se acaba de formular.-

R.- Como le dejo, el Sr. este periodista se pidió una entrevista y se accedió a ella, no sin que él hiciera el mismo comentario para el desconocimiento de la clase no podía realizar su práctica y yo me ofrecí para pasar a buscarlo al Gran Hotel, así, simplemente lo fui a buscar, él se vino conmigo a mi oficina, así estuvo alrededor de una hora y media y eso es todo lo que he conocido.-

P.- Es cierto que se ha considerado la noticia de que usted con él, por eso no nos da derecho a nosotros de especular en ninguna forma, está claro, pero en esa parte si fue exacta esas informaciones.- Con respecto a la pregunta última, es la siguiente. En la entrevista sí ahí hubo ningún comentario en algún punto de vuelta, que hicieron periodistas y la ciudadanía en general, políticos especialmente, o mejor dicho sus dirigentes políticos, cuando una serie de sucesos y resoluciones que se han dado conocimiento público, en esa entrevista ya la vuelta a mi estimado caballero, que hubo la posibilidad de explicarse a grosso modo cuales son esas resoluciones ?

R.- La reunión que realizó el Partido evidentemente denunciada es de hacer de cuenta se reunió de forma privada como ya se sabido por razones que anteriormente, porque nosotros hubiéramos querido primeramente realizar esa reunión nacional del Partido en la misma forma en que se han realizado las anteriores, es decir en forma pública con acceso a los periodistas, que es nuestra conducta tradicional pero se tuvieron razones que estimo el Partido oportunamente, sin embargo en días pasados, la fecha anterior a la fecha fijada para esta reunión que se iba a verificar hace poco más de un mes, la fecha anterior creo dije, a la realización de la reunión de consejo se había tenido una parte de reunión de la Comisión Política, entonces las informaciones esta mismo creo que no tengo en duda que el Partido ha estado en desarrollo de la reunión, pero nosotros no dispusimos de mucho tiempo para hacer una clase de aclaraciones, decirlo dos cosas, en primer lugar postergar la fecha de la reunión y en segundo lugar realizarla en forma privada por una cuestión de discreción principalmente, no se trata creo que no hubo de que nosotros tuviéramos temor de exponernos a las preguntas o a las críticas que se han especulado, pues que en realidad no existe, la reunión obedeció a la necesidad de analizar la situación política nacional en el seno de las fuerzas revolucionarias por algunos hechos concretos que el conocimiento de la ciudadanía, así como examinar la situación actual por la que está pasando toda la América Latina principalmente ante la intervención norteamericana, por la intervención de una serie de grupos de derecha, en relación con todo lo que ha pasado en Chile, en Bolivia, en Uruguay, en relación con la situación nacional la reunión fundamentalmente creo que fue de una crítica ya crítica en la que hubo una fructífera discusión, ideológica, política, social y económica, pero nada más que eso, la situación de nuestro frente de principios nacional de nuestro país, nuestro partido, nuestro gobierno, la línea de acción en la consecución de nuestros objetivos nacionales

B.- ...para abrir plásticas en tal sentido en los demás partidos opositores, por otra parte se trataron asuntos rutinarios de organización interna del Partido y de financiamientos de nuestro semanario [illegible] que había pagado dificultades económicas, pero que con el aporte que ofrecieron los Delegados de todos los departamentos se han solucionado y volverá aparecer el sábado próximo.

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Carta del Dr. Alvaro Ramírez sobre la crisis en su Partido

Señor
Don Róger Mendieta Alfaro,
Director del Diario
LA NACION,
Managua, D.N.

Estimado señor Director:

Con pena he leído en el Diario que usted dirige, en la edición de hoy, la información falsa que bajo grandes columnas de "grave crisis en el MR" ofrece a sus lectores, toda vez que sus reporteros me habían entrevistado y en lugar de publicar la realidad de las cosas tejieron un folletín falso y tendencioso.

Digo con pena, porque hasta la presente ocasión, el Diario LA NACION había mantenido respecto a nuestro Partido actitud de respeto y tolerancia seguramente recíproca a nuestra posición frente al somocismo y porque para romper tal statu quo no era necesario recurrir a la calumnia y a la injuria.

Mi partido no puede dejar sin respuesta categórica y enfática la aseveración que en dicho escrito hace LA NACION en el sentido de que algunos miembros de "MR" habrían lanzado la acusación contra nuestra dirigencia de ser responsable de la muerte de los guerrilleros en Río Bocay por haberles cortado la ayuda de nuestro Partido. Cuando se sabe muy bien los nombres y apellidos de los autores de esas muertes, resulta una infamia acusar al Partido Movilización Republicana de actos por los cuales no puede responder, ni por acción, ni por omisión. Es lo cierto que "MR" jamás ha prestado ninguna ayuda al movimiento insurreccional que actualmente se debate descarnadamente en las montañas de Jinotega y otros sectores del Norte", según "LA NACION", debido a que no tenemos ni hemos tenido jamás ningún acuerdo con el "Frente Sandinista de Liberación Nacional". El MR sostiene una postura muy clara respecto del problema insurreccional, pues considera que como partido político no tiene capacidad actualmente para mezclarse en una lucha de esa naturaleza, y no ve perspectivas de éxito a tal clase de lucha en las actuales circunstancias. Esto no significa que neguemos el derecho de los guerrilleros a emprender la clase de lucha que estimen conveniente, ni mucho menos que no nos duela la muerte de varios estudiantes universitarios y otros jóvenes en circunstancias que habían sido hecho prisioneros, lo que nos llena de indignación y nos mueve a solidarizarnos con la protesta enérgica de los estudiantes de Nicaragua y otros sectores democráticos del país. En consecuencia es completamente absurdo suponer, como lo hace LA NACION, que el periodista mexicano Víctor Rico Galán, haya venido a pedirnos rendición de cuentas a nosotros sobre las guerrillas del Norte, pues somos ajenos a tal movimiento y nuestra política la trazamos nosotros mismos y jamás daremos oído a ninguna influencia extranjera. Una Revolución no podrá importarse de ninguna parte, y solamente será posible cuando el pueblo nicaragüense decida hacerla entonces y solamente entonces "MR" ocupará el sitio que le señale su deber patriótico.

El periodista Rico Galán me entrevistó en mi Oficina es cosa frecuente que hacen numerosos periodistas extranjeros que visitan el país, las preguntas que di a esas preguntas periodísticas sobre la realidad nacional no tienen nada de secretas ni de alarmantes. Bien pudieran ser dichas en una plaza pública. La Revista "Siempre" que el representante no corresponde a la realidad. Cualquiera, que no sea un ignorante sobre el periodismo nacional podrá saber que [illegible] es vehículo de información [illegible] de izquierda al [illegible] por tanto al Lic. Emilio Portes Gil como a Lombardo Toledano. Sí, porque así me lo relató él mismo [illegible] por Managua [illegible] trató de entrevistarlo. Por fortuna, el Presidente Schick y logró entrevistar a varias personalidades políticas para su opinión le interesaba para formarse un criterio la situación de Nicaragua, incluso recibió algún [illegible] atención del Señor Embajador de México, y después con los funcionarios de la Secretaría de Información [illegible] LA NACION no pudo [illegible] sabe los últimos

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cosas de Honduras, qué de misterioso tiene el paso por Nicaragua? Y qué puede hacer creer a LA NACION que ese señor haya venido a regañar al MR?

Todo lo aseverado respecto del "caso" de Everth Vélez no pasa de ser producto de la mente calenturienta de sus reporteros. Jamás ha existido discusión alguna con el aludido Everth sobre la "pugna chino—soviética" pues hemos considerado en MR que tal problema es de la incumbencia exclusiva de los partidos comunistas, y si nos interesa, como a cualquier ser humano, es por el impacto que la política de dichos partidos tiene en todos los países del mundo. La verdad al respecto es que Everth se ha retirado de la Dirección del semanario MR así como de la Dirección Nacional de nuestro Partido debido a sus ocupaciones personales.

Es lamentable que el diario LA NACION haya tomado parte en la campaña difamatoria levantada en los últimos días contra el Partido Movilización Republicana, pues la causa eficiente de esta campaña que no ha trepidado en utilizar medios vedados por la ética periodística, no es otra que la intervención de la reacción ante la posición ideológica adoptada por los jóvenes estudiantes de la Universidad Católica. Tanto la Declaración de Principios de estos jóvenes como sus siguientes actos ante el Rector de dicha Universidad don Pablo Antonio Cuadra y el Dr. Córdoba Rivas y a cuantos han dado contradictorias han opuesto la diatriba tan soez que estamos a reconocer la justeza de su tesis, y como estas tesis revolucionarias de los jóvenes estudiantes de la UCA están emparentadas con los objetivos del Partido Movilización Republicana por coincidencia biológica y por necesidad histórica, la reacción ha creído necesario arremeter contra nuestro partido, sabedora de que las nuevas generaciones le han dado las espaldas definitivamente a lo viejo y caduco de nuestra sociedad, y hacen causa común con los partidos que como "MR" representan lo nuevo y lo progresista. No se escapa a nuestra comprensión que la desaforada campaña de desprestigio trazada en torno al Partido Movilización Republicana, está vinculada a los intereses de ciertos círculos conservadores, ultraderechistas que deseando opacar al Dr. Agüero y truncar su trayectoria política, desean llevar al Partido Conservador a hacer un colaboracionismo servil con el régimen gobernante, ellos se dan cuenta y el pueblo nicaragüense sabe que el Partido Movilización Republicana es un dique contra la política servil y por eso nos agreden.

Suplico a usted la publicación íntegra de la presente en LA NACION periódico de objetividad y espíritu democrático, quisiéramos ineludible.

Agradeciendo de antemano la publicación de la presente me es grato suscribir.

Atto. y S. S.

Dr. ALVARO RAMIREZ GONZALEZ.
Secretario General del Partido Movilización Republicana.

Golpe contra Villeda Morales fue propinado por la Misión Militar

Declara un periodista mexicano

"El golpe de Estado que dió al traste con el Gobierno del Dr. Villeda Morales en Honduras, no fue producto del Ejército hondureño, sino que fue una acción directa de la Misión Militar Norteamericana residente en Tegucigalpa, obedeciendo órdenes del Pentágono", dijo a su arribo el periodista mexicano **Víctor Rico Galán, Re**

de los Estados Unidos".

Luego refiriéndose a la política de su patria México, dijo: "Desde luego en México no existe el latifundismo como existe en Centroamérica, ni mucho menos, pero hay grandes problemas fundamentalmente en el campo, sobre todo en lo relativo a la organización adecuada de la explotación, del crédito y de la Comercialización, que una buena parte está en manos de empresas norteamericanas, como las algodoneras y otras".

El periodista Rico Galán manifestó: "El caso de los campesinos en México es, que éstos tienen tierras para trabajar, pero no son dueños de su producción, y las más de las veces tienen que vender sus cosechas por adelantado a precios explotadores".

Sin embargo, el periodista Rico Galán calificó al Presidente López Mateos como perteneciente en política a "centro izquierdismo" descartándolo de reaccionario, como lo han tildado en otros países".

El señor Víctor Rico Galán concluyó diciendo en su entrevista al redactor Cole Chamorro que el "Tapadismo en México consiste esencialmente en la designación de un candidato presidencial, escogido en secreto o íntimamente por los altos jerarcas del dueño partido actualmente permitido, porque la elección presidencial no se efectúa a través de un movimiento electoral popular[illegible]

director de la Revista [illegible] y quien fue [illegible] do por [illegible] esencial escala en la Península de Yucatán.

El periodista Rico Galán expresó "recientemente visitó la República de Honduras, donde pude observar que [illegible] que quiénes que al Presidente Villeda, el Coronel [illegible] que Oscar Arellano tuvo un choque en conferencia con los demás Ejércitos Centroamericanos donde se decidieron las medidas militares encaminadas a presionar a los Gobiernos Civiles".

Luego que la República de Honduras [illegible] no fue [illegible] dad de un golpe de Estado, para el presidente Coronel Julio A. Rivera, pobló la base la presión militar de los Jefes de la Guardia Civil y de Policía. Para la última [illegible]

El periodista Víctor Rico Galán, Redactor de la Revista Mexicana "SIEMPRE", quien pasó ayer por Managua rumbo a Venezuela [illegible] Coronel Eduardo Cisneros.

El señor Rico Galán dijo [illegible] que [illegible] contrincantes [illegible] tarea [illegible] bierno [illegible] Villeda Morales [illegible] que el [illegible] lo que [illegible] en [illegible] América [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

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1. VICTOR RICO GALAN ARRIVED MANA 13 OCT VIA PAN AM FLT 501 FROM MEXI. HE LEFT MANA FOR SAN JOSE ON 17 OCT VIA TACA FLT 101. ACCORDING IMMIGRATION RECORDS, RICO BORN 6 FEB 1928 AT EL FERROL, SPAIN. ADDRESS IN MEXICO CITY IS PROVIDENCIA 939. IMMIGRATION RECORDS SHOW HE ENTERED NICARAGUA WITH MEXICAN PASSPORT NUMBER 16897, BUT LEFT USING MEXICAN PP NUMBER 53641, ISSUED 9 SEPT 63. (PROBABLE ONE OF NUMBERS IS PP NUMBER AND OTHER IS REGISTRATION.)

2. RICO STAYED GRAN HOTEL, ROOM NUMBER 407, WHILE MANA. HIS VISIT WIDELY PUBLICIZED AND HE GAVE INTERVIEWS LOCAL PRESS. MET WITH VARIOUS NIC OFFICIALS FROM MINISTRY OF PRESS AND RECEIVED BY MEXICAN AMBASSADOR. HE SOUGHT INTERVIEW WITH PRES SCHICK, BUT LATTER DID NOT GRANT INTERVIEW.

3. UNABLE DEVELOP INFO RE VISIT WITH UNIDENTIFIED GUERRILLA LEADER MENTIONED REF, BUT RICO DID MEET ONE OR MORE TIMES WITH ALVARO RAMIREZ GONZALEZ, SECRETARY-GENERAL OF MOVILIZACION REPUBLICANA (MR-COMMIE POLITICAL FRONT) WHO ALSO MEMBER CENTRAL COMMITTEE NIC COMMIE PARTY (PSN). HIS VISIT WITH RAMIREZ GIVEN PUBLICITY PRESS AND RADIO AS SECRET MEETING IN RICO'S HOTEL ROOM. RAMIREZ ANSWERED BY WRITING

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LETTERS TO PAPERS SAYING HE MET RICO OPENLY IN HIS OFFICE AND THAT RICO HAD CALLED ON HIM BECAUSE HE JOURNALIST SEEKING INTERVIEWS VARIOUS POLITICAL FIGURES. ON 24 OCT RAMIREZ INTERVIEWED ON RADIO AND WHEN PINNED DOWN, ADMITTED THAT HE WENT RICO'S HOTEL ROOM, BUT SAID PURPOSE WAS TO TAKE RICO TO HIS OFFICE.

4. CLIPPINGS RE VISIT RICO BEING POUCHED HQS AND MEXI.

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C/S COMMENT: *SUSPECTED PBRUMEN AGENT VICTOR RICO GALAN TRAVELLING CENTRAL, SOUTH AMERICA ON MISSION AMT HUG-1.

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DISSEMINATE ZAKNICK HYSAGE

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30 OCT 63 IN 50142

VICTOR RICO GALAN, MEXICAN OF SPANISH ORIGIN IS MARXIST WRITER FOR SIEMPRE AND POLITICA BOTH BIG CIRCULATION AND EFFECTIVE COMMY LINING MAGAZINES. HEADS PROPAGANDA COMMITTEE FOR MLN WHICH COMMY FRONT MOVEMENT RATHER THAN PARTY AND WHOSE LEADERSHIP IS HEAVILY PCM INFILTRATED. OCT 62 WENT CUBA TO WRITE CASTRO POLITICAL BIOG. JUNE 63 INTERVIEWED CASTRO IN CUBA AFTER RETURN FROM MOSCOW. RECENTLY PUBLISHED INTERVIEWS WITH GEN PERALTA IN GUAT AND WITH YAN SOSA, ANTI-REGIME GUERRILLA LEADER. CHECKING BACK TO EARLY OCT SHOWS NO RECORD HIS TRAVEL TO OR FROM PANAMA. STATION HAS EXTENSIVE FILE ON RICO GALAN.

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1. SUSPECTED PBRUMEN AGENT VICTOR RICO GALAN, MEXICAN JOURNALIST, DPOB 6 FEB 28, EL FERROL, MEXI, APPARENTLY USING MATRONYMIC, REPORTEDLY TRAVELLING CENTRAL, SOUTH AMERICA ON MISSION FOR AMTHUG-1. RICO GALAN LEFT PACY FOR CARA 22 OCT.

2. FOR MEXI: RICO GALAN REPORTEDLY RECENTLY SPENT EIGHT DAYS PBRUMEN ON "VACATION" WITH AMTHUG-1, DURING WHICH TIME HE RECEIVED OPERATIONAL ASSIGNMENT ON WHICH HE NOW TRAVELLING THROUGH CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA. ALTHOUGH WELL KNOWN LEFTIST, HE IS ABLE TRAVEL BECAUSE HAS SOME SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT WITH MEXI GOVERNMENT WHICH GIVES HIM SPECIAL PRIVILEGES FROM MEXI EMBASSIES IN PLACES HE VISITS. GALAN'S MISSION TO PERSUADE LEFTIST PARTIES IN COUNTRIES HE VISITS TO BEGIN IMMEDIATELY ACTS SABOTAGE AND VIOLENCE AND TO TRY MAINTAIN THESE IN ORDER TAKE PRESSURE OFF VENEZUELA. GALAN HAS ALSO BEEN INSTRUCTED TO BRING BETTER UNITY AMONG COMPETING LEFTIST FACTIONS TO ENSURE GREATER IMPACT THEIR WORK. TO CONTACT IN PACY GALAN

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GAVE FOLLOWING ITINERARY BUT NO DATES: FROM MEXI TO GUAT: GUAT TO MANA: MANA TO SJOS: SJOS TO PACY: PACY TO CARA: CARA TO BRAZIL.

3. FOR GUAT: IN GUAT GALAN MET WITH GUERRILLA LEADER GOMEZ AYAU (FNU).

FOR MANA: GALAN MET WITH UNIDENTIFIED GUERRILLA LEADER.

FOR SJOS: MET WITH ONE OF THE MORA BROTHERS.

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FOLLOWING INFO OBTAINED HYSAGE-1 MEETING 24 OCTOBER

INADVERTENTLY OMITTED REF:

VICTOR RICO GALAN TOLD HYSAGE THAT FLAS ROCA PLANS MAKE ANOTHER ATTEMPT CAPTURE CONTROL SINCE HE BELIEVES POSITION ARTHUR-1 HAS WEAKENED TO POINT THAT PROSPECTS PROMISING FOR SUCCESS. HYSAGE DID NOT PROVIDE ORIGINAL SOURCE THIS INFO, BUT INDICATED IT SOURCE CONCERN TO RICO GALAN.

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REF: A. PACY 1058 (IN 67963) NOT SENT CARA

B. PACY 1064 (IN 67794) NOT SENT CARA

1. FEDERAL AGENT VICTOR RICO GALAN, MEXICAN CITIZEN, NEWSPAPERMAN, BORN 6 FEB 1939 AT EL FERROL, MEXICO, PERMANENT ADDRESS PROVIDENCIA 998, MEXICO D.F. DEPARTED PANAMA 23 OCT VIA PAA FLT NO. 319 FOR CARACAS. MANIFEST FOR FLT. HAS 319 LISTED HIM UNDER PATRONYMIC GALAN.

2. INF B. STATES IN PART GALAN TRAVELLING THROUGH CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA WITH MEXICAN PERSONAGES LEFTIST PARTIES IN COUNTRIES HE VISITS BEGIN IMMEDIATELY ACTS SABOTAGE AND VIOLENCE AND TO TRY MAINTAIN THEM IN ORDER TAKE PERSONAE OUT VENEZUELA. POSSIBLY HAS SOME ARRANGEMENT WITH MEXICAN GOVERNMENT WHICH GIVES HIM SPECIAL PRIVILEGES FROM MEXICAN EMBASSIES IN PLACES HE VISITS. GALAN CONTACT IN VENEZUELA MAY BE ONE ARGELIA LAYA.

3. REQUEST CARA DEVELOP ALL POSSIBLE INFO CONCERNING GALAN ACTIVITIES.

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REF: PACY 1054 (IN 47784)

1. TRAVEL RECORDS IDENTIFY PARUMEN AGENT REPORTED REF AS VICTOR RICO GALAN, CITIZEN MEXICO, NEWSPAPERMAN, BORN 6 FEBRUARY 1928 AT EL FERROL, PERMANENT ADDRESS PROVIDENCIA 930, MEXICO, D.F. ARRIVED PACY BY AIR FROM COSTA RICA ON 20 OCTOBER 63, USING PATRONYMIC RICO IN PREPARATION LANDING CARD. MANIFEST FOR PAA FLIGHT 515 LISTED HIM UNDER PATRONYMIC,

GALAN, AS PASSENGER WHO LEFT FOR CARACAS, VENEZUELA, ON 22 OCTOBER.

2. HQS REQUESTED ALERT CARACAS.

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REF PACY 1033 (IN 46190) **

1. DURING MEETING 24 OCTOBER HYSAGE-1 PROVIDED FOLLOWING AMPLIFICATION AND CLARIFICATION ROLE OF MEXICAN JOURNALIST, RICO GALAN:

A. GALAN, CONTRARY TO HYSAGE EARLIER STATEMENTS, RECENTLY SPENT EIGHT DAYS PBRUMEN ON "VACATION" WITH AMTHUR-1, DURING WHICH TIME HE RECEIVED OPERATIONAL ASSIGNMENT ON WHICH HE NOW TRAVELING THROUGH CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA. ALTHOUGH WELL KNOWN LEFTIST, HE IS ABLE TO TRAVEL BECAUSE HE HAS SOME SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT WITH MEXICAN GOVERNMENT, DETAILS OF WHICH NOT CLEAR TO HYSAGE. ARRANGEMENT GIVES GALAN SPECIAL PRIVILEGES FROM MEXICAN EMASSIES IN PLACES HE VISITS. HYSAGE COMMENTED THAT MANY MEXICAN AMABASSADORS WILL BE ANGRY WHEN THEY LEARN HOW THEY HAVE BEEN USED GALAN.

B. GALANS MISSION IS TO PERSUADE LEFTIST PARTIES IN COUNTRIES HE VISITS TO BEGIN IMMEDIATELY ACTS SABOTAGE AND VIOLENCE AND TO TRY MAINTAIN THESE IN ORDER TAKE PRESSURE OFF VENEZUELA. GALAN HAS ALSO BEEN INSTRUCTED TO BRING BETTER UNITY AMONG COMPETING LEFTIST FACTIONS TO ENSURE GREATER IMPACT THEIR WORK. IN THE CASE OF PANAMA, IN ADDITION FOREMENTIONED INSTRUCTIONS, GALAN WAS TOLD

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TO INSTRUCT HYSAGE THAT SHE IS TO WITHDRAW FROM THE NATIONAL COALITION PARTY AND OVERTLY JOIN ONE OF THE LEFTIST PARTIES OR TRY TO FORM NEW ONE. THE INSTRUCTION IS CLEAR THAT THE LEFT IS TO GET TOGETHER. HYSAGE WAS ALSO AGAIN ENJOINED TO GET HER SON OUT OF PBPRIME. AFTER HEARING THE INSTRUCTIONS THAT GALAN HAD RE UNITY, HYSAGE TOLD GALAN THAT SHE, AS A WOMAN, COULD NOT ACCOMPLISH ALL THIS AND SHE DID IN FACT DECIDE TO BRING TOGETHER HUGO ALEJANDRO VICTOR, HER CLOSEST FRIEND IN PARTIDO DEL PUEBLO (PDP, PEOPLES PARTY COMMUNIST) AND DAVID TURNER, LEADER OF VANGUARD OF NATIONAL ACTION (VAN). (COMMENT: HER REMARKS INDICATED THAT SHE DID NOT INCLUDE JORGE TURNER BECAUSE HE IS APPARENTLY SERIOUSLY ILL). GALAN URGED VICTOR AND TURNER, AS REPRESENTATIVES THEIR RESPECTIVE ORGANIZATIONS, TO MAKE NEW EFFORT TO SETTLE DIFFERENCES TO BRING ABOUT A MORE COORDINATED EFFORT. AS RESULT OF GALANS VISIT, MEETING TOOK PLACE AT NOON ON 24 OCTOBER FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING UNITY, AGGRESSIVE ACTION, AND MERGER OF ALL LEFTIST UNITS TO GO TO ELECTIONS AS A BLOC IF ATTEMPTS TO STOP ELECTIONS SHOULD FAIL. THIS MEETING ATTENDED BY VICTOR, CARLOS DEL CID, RENATO PEREIRA, THELMA KING, ALVARO MENENDEZ, AND TWO UNIDENTIFIED STUDENTS. ALSO DURING MEETING "NEGRO" MARTINEZ, A PROFESSOR OF SPANISH AT UNIVERSITY, WHOM HYSAGE IDENTIFIED AS MEMBER OF COMMUNIST PARTY SECRET APARAT, CALLED VICTOR ASIDE FOR SHORT CONVERSATION. (COMMENT: BELIEVE THIS MAY BE JOSE DE JESUS MARTINEZ, PHILOSOPHY PROFESSOR UNIVERSITY). HYSAGE HEARD PART OF CONVERSATION WHICH WAS TO EFFECT THAT, AS REGARDS COORDINATION AND NEW DEVELOPMENTS, A MEETING BETWEEN THE SECRET APARAT AND CENTRAL

COMMITTEE WOULD HAVE TO TAKE PLACE ON 29 OCTOBER AT A PLACE ON THIRTEENTH STREET. HYSAGE SAID THAT, REALIZING IMPORTANCE OF MEETING, SHE TRIED TO GET ADDRESS AND WENT SO FAR AS TO ASK VICTOR IF SHE COULD BE INVITED ATTEND. VICTOR TOLD HER THAT, ALTHOUGH THEY ARE FRIENDS, SHE IS NOT MEMBER OF PARTY AND CANNOT EXPECT ATTEND HIGH LEVEL SECRET SESSIONS THIS SORT.

C. AS RESULT THIS MEETING, DECISION WAS TAKEN, APPARENTLY BY HYSAGE, TO BEGIN ACTS OF VIOLENCE IMMEDIATELY. (COMMENT: THIS WAS EXTRACTED FROM HER AFTER FIVE HOURS OF INTENSIVE INTERROGATION WHICH BROUGHT HER PRACTICALLY TO POINT OF TEARS. LEADING UP TO THIS SHE KEPT SAYING THAT IT WAS TO LATE FOR HER TO DO THE THINGS SHE WANTED FOR POPULAR REFORM. PONCHAY KEPT IT ON THIS POINT AND SHE FINALLY BROKE DOWN AND ADMITTED SHE HAD GIVEN THIS ORDER AND THAT AT THE MOMENT THEY WERE TALKING, MENENDEZ, ONE VICTOR (COMMENT: POSSIBLY VAUGHAN), AND SEVERAL OTHERS WERE ENGAGED IN MAKING MOLOTOV COCKTAILS AND HOMEMADE BOMBS OF SOME SORT. SHE SAID TARGETS STARTING THE NIGHT OF 24 OCTOBER THROUGH THE NEXT WEEK WERE SUPPOSED TO BE PBPRIME EMBASSY, PBPRIME INDUSTRIES, CANAL ZONE, PBPRIME CONSULATE IN COLON, AND THE VENEZUELAN CONSULATE IN COLON. PONCHAY TOLD HER HE ACCEPTED THE FACT THAT SHE WAS REALLY IN CHARGE OF THESE MATTERS BECAUSE OF OTHER THINGS HE KNEW, BUT GAVE HER A SEVERE VERBAL LASHING FOR PERMITTING THIS TO GET THIS FAR WITHOUT TELLING HIM. HE EXTRACTED PROMISE FROM HER THAT SHE WOULD DO EVERYTHING HER POWER TO PREVENT ACTION AGAINST PBPRIME INSTALLATIONS. SHE SAID, AND AGAIN APPEARED TO BE TELLING THE TRUTH BECAUSE SHE WAS UNDER THE MOST INTENSIVE PRESSURE PONCHAY HAS EVER SUBJECTED HER TO,

THAT SHE WOULD TRY TO HOLD OFF ACTION AGAINST PBPRIME EMBASSIES AND CONSULATES. SHE SAID SHE WAS CERTAIN SHE COULD NOT STOP THE ACTION AGAINST THE VENEZUELAN CONSULATE WHICH WAS TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR NIGHT 24 OCTOBER, AND PONCHAY TOLD HER NOT TO TRY TO STOP THAT ACTION. (COMMENT: THIS PORTION OF INFO RE PLANS FOR VIOLENCE WAS DISSEMINATED VERBALLY TO LOCAL AGENCIES. ODTEST CONFIRMS THAT MOLOTOV COCKTAIL WAS THROWN AT VENEZUELAN CONSULATE COLON AT 0040 ON 25 OCTOBER.)

D. GALAN WAS ALSO TOLD TO GET FROM HYSAGE FOR DELIVERY TO AMTHUG-1 IMMEDIATELY, A STATEMENT IN HER OWN HANDWRITING SIGNED BY HER THAT SHE WILL ACCEPT NO FURTHER ASSISTANCE FROM THE OLIGARCHY.

E. IN HIS DISCUSSION WITH HYSAGE, GALAN GAVE HIS ITINERARY AS FOLLOWS, HOWEVER, HYSAGE DOES NOT KNOW DATES:

FROM MEXICO HE TRAVELED GUATEMALA WHERE HE MET WITH GUERRILLA LEADER GOMEZ AYAU (FNU). HE GAVE HIM THE PITCH FOR ACTION. HE HAD SIMILAR MEETING WITH NICARAGUAN GUERRILLA LEADER WHOSE NAME HYSAGE TRIED FOR TEN MINUTES RECALL WITHOUT SUCCESS. GALAN THEN TRAVELED COSTA RICA AND MET WITH ONE OF THE MORA BROTHERS. FROM PANAMA HE INTEDED TRAVEL VENEZUELA WHERE HIS CONTACT WAS TO BE ARGELIA LAYA. HYSAGE DID NOT BELIEVE HE INTENDED GO COLOMBIA, BUT SAID HE WOULD PROCEED BRAZIL WHERE HE PLANNED MEET WITH PRESTES AND JULIAO. HYSAGE COMMENTED THAT GALAN POINTED OUT TO HER JULIAOS PRIME ADVANTAGE IN THE REVOLUTION, I.E., FACT THAT JULIAOS WIFE AND FAMILY IN CUBA WHERE THEY SAVE. GALAN INDICATED THAT HYSAGE WOULD BE WISE TO DO THE SAME THING. (COMMENT: HYKICK-2 AND HYJADE-1 HAVE BOTH REPORTED ON RECENT VISIT OF UNIDENTIFIED FOREIGNER.)

2. HYSAGE IDENTIFIED THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL PEOPLE AS IMPORTANT IN PANAMA COMMUNIST PARTY APARAT:

CAMILO PEREZ, A LAWYER (COMMENT: PEREZ REPORTED HZP-4384 AS MEMBER SUSPECTED PDP FRONT GROUP. HAS ALSO VISITED PBRUMEN). NUNEZ ZARZAVILLA OF THE FILY LA HORA. (COMMENT: PROBABLY RAFAEL NUNEZ ZARAVILLA MENTIONED HZPA-11329 AND HZP-4169).

3. HYSAGE SAID SHE HAD REASON BELIEVE THAT SHE NOW KNEW SUCCESSOR OF DIOGENES ALBERTO PINO. AS IN THE PAST, SHE SAID COULD NOT MENTION HIS NAME BUT WOULD PROVIDE ENOUGH LEADS TO PERMIT PONCHAY FIGURE OUT HIS IDENTIFY. OVER A PERIOD OF AN HOUR, SHE PROVIDED THE FOLLOWING LEADS: THAT HE WORKS FOR CHIARI FAMILY, HAD BEEN A CLOSE FRIEND OF PINOS IN HIS YOUTH AND HAD BEEN PHOTOGRAPHED WITH A PROMINENT MEXICAN JOURNALIST WHO HAD BEEN PHOTOGRAPHED LEAVING AIRPORT IN PANAMA SOME MONTHS AGO AFTER MAKING SOME PRO CASTRO STATEMENTS. THINKING THIS OVER, PONCHAY SAID HE THOUGHT SHE MUST BE TALKING ABOUT SOMEONE CONNECTED WITH CHIARI RADIO AND TELEVISION NETWORKS. SHE CONCEEDED THIS WAS CORRECT, AND MENTIONED VARIOUS PEOPLE CONNECTED WITH TELEVISION STATION IN SUCH MANNER THAT IT APPEARS MOST PROBABLY SHE WAS TALKING ABOUT RODOLFO GARCIA DE PAREDES OR LUIS ESTRIBI. STATION IS CHECKING FURTHER.

4. REQUEST HQS RELAY APPROPRIATE PORTIONS OTHER STATIONS AS DESIRED.

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C/S COMMENTS: *DISSEMINATION APPLICABLE TO RYBAT ZRKNICK CABLES.

**HYSAGE-1 REPORTED 22 OCT THAT RICO GALAN PBRUMEN AGENT ARRIVED PANAMA FROM BRAZIL OR VENEZUELA.

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The information in the attached was taken from the LIFEAT coverage of Arevalo of 9 September. In conversation between Arevalo and Alfredo Arankowski, Mexican leftist journalist, Arankowski told Arevalo of Rico's plans and that Rico had requested information on the United Fruit Company. Arankowski said that Rico did not know that Arankowski would ask Arevalo for the information. Arevalo agreed to meet Arankowski to give him the information.

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Victor Rico Galan, Mexican Marxist journalist and head of the Press and Propaganda Committee of the Movimiento de Liberacion Nacional (MLN - National Liberation Movement), rabidly anti-United States, pro-Cuba, Communist front organization, is planning a trip to Guatemala. While there Rico plans to interview Colonel Enrique Peralta Azurdia, Chief of the Guatemalan Military Junta. Rico also plans to visit the Guatemalan guerrillas.

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SOURCE: Persons (B) in close personal contact with Rico Galan. Appraisal of Content: 2.

On 27 June 1963, Victor Rico Galan, Mexican Marxist journalist and head of the National Press and Propaganda Committee of the Movimiento de Liberacion Nacional (MLN - National Liberation Movement) rabidly anti-United States, pro-Cuba, Communist front organization, said that during his recent visit to Cuba he noticed the morale among Cuban intellectuals was very low. Rico Galan said that certain Cuban intellectuals do not understand the problems which exist for them, and others are not well informed. Rico Galan further said that although this problem is not openly discussed, there have been certain newspapers and magazines published in Cuba which pointed out lack of curiosity on the part of the Cuban intellectuals and called for a greater realization of the problems confronting them.

1. Field Comment:

Rico Galan went to Cuba on 25 May 1963 to interview Fidel Castro Ruz, Communist Prime Minister of Cuba, on Castro's trip to the Soviet Union. Rico Galan returned to Mexico on 22 June 1963. (Cf. HMM-7326, HMM-7466)

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SOURCE: Persons (B) in close personal contact with Rico Galan.
Appraisal of Content: 2.

1. Victor Rico Galan, Mexican Marxist journalist and head of the National Press and Propaganda Committee of the Movimiento de Liberacion Nacional (MLN - National Liberation Movement), rabidly anti-United States, pro-Cuba, Communist front, returned to Mexico from Cuba on 22 June 1963.1

2. Rico Galan said that while in Cuba he spent eight days with Fidel Castro Rus, Communist Prime Minister, and also spoke with the following Cuban Government officials: Osvaldo Dorticos Torrado, President, Ernesto ("Che") Guevara Serna, Minister of Industries, Raul Roa Garcia, Minister of Foreign Relations, Francisco Wilfredo Blas Rosa Calderio, Secretary-general of the Partido Socialista Popular (PSP - Cuban Communist Party), Regino Boti Leon, Minister of National Economy, Jose Llanusa Cobel, director of the National Institute of Sports, Physical Education and Recreation.

According to Rico Galan, he spent five of the eight days with Castro at sea and Castro discussed his visit to the Soviet Union and his talks with Nikita Khruchchev, Premier of the Soviet Union. Rico Galan further said that the Cuban Government is now making an effort to improve its relations with the Mexican Government, which, according to Rico Galan have been neglected. These efforts by the Cuban Government will be made not only at the diplomatic level but also "at higher levels." Cuba will also try to improve its relations with Brazil, now that the Brazilian political situation is calmer.

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3. Rico Galan said that he received the impression upon his arrival at the Mexico City airport, that passengers returning from Cuba were being treated with more courtesy. Rico Galan returned to Mexico on the same flight as Joaquin Hernandez de Armas, new Cuban Ambassador to Mexico. He said that the international room at the airport was opened to Hernandez, and that he was met by Joaquin Bernal, Assistant Chief of Protocol of the Mexican Ministry of Foreign Relations and received certain other considerations which are uncommon for an arriving ambassador.

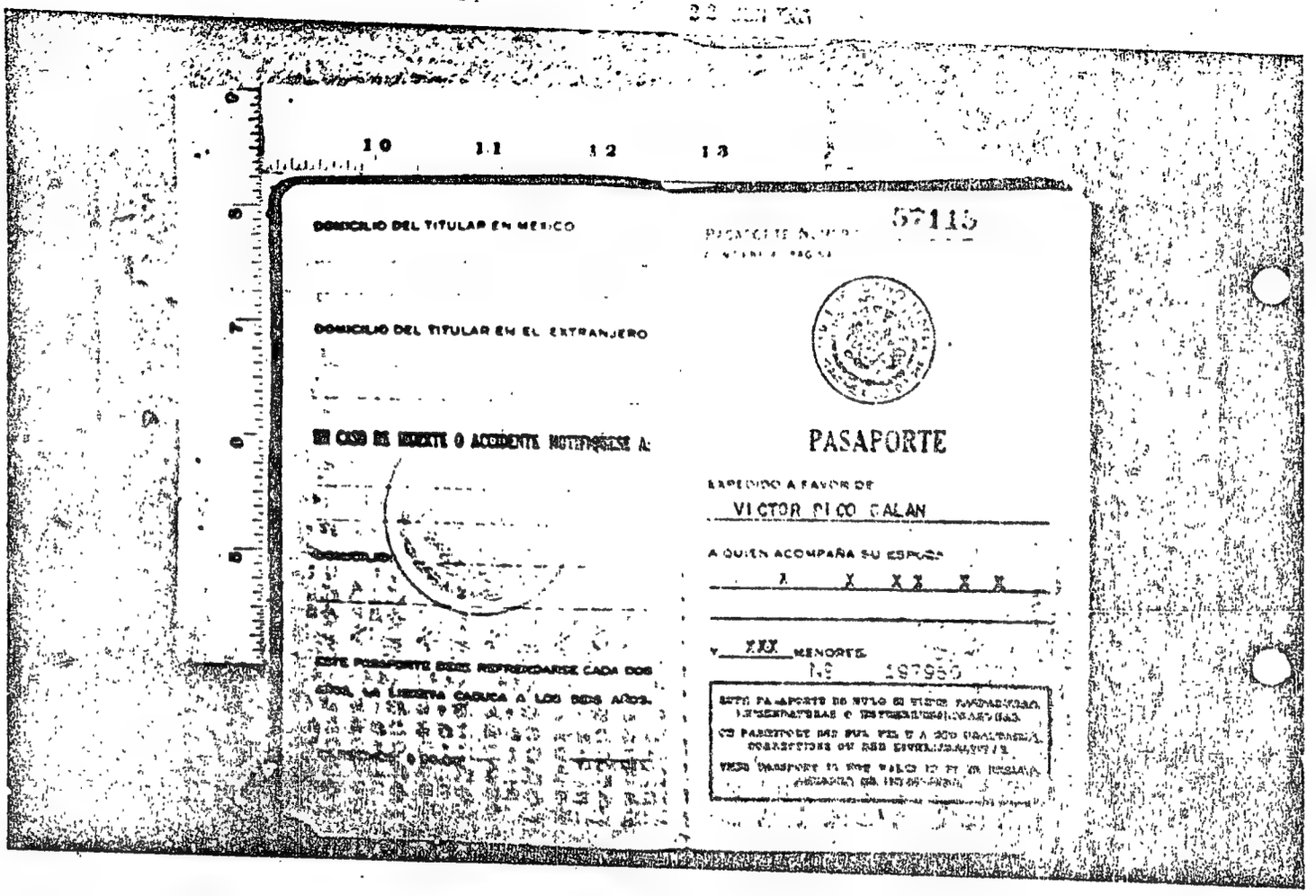
4. Rico Galan also said that while in Cuba he saw Dr. Enrique Cabrera Cosio, prominent leftist Mexican cardiologist.[2] Rico Galan said that Cabrera was happy in Cuba, that he enjoyed prestige and the esteem of the Cubans, and that he was doing his best with the means available to him.

5. Rico Galan said he planned to write a series of four or five articles. His articles will deal with subjects of "theoretical interest" and of the problems the Cuban Government is having carrying out the purposes of its revolution.

Field Comments:

1. It was reported previously that Rico Galan had agreed to go to Cuba to interview Castro concerning his trip to the Soviet Union. He left Mexico on 25 May. (Cf. MMM-7326).

2. It was also reported previously that Cabrera went to Cuba in October 1962 as a guest of the Cuban Government, Cabrera was dismissed from the Mexican National Cardiological Institute in July 1962 because of his leftist activities. (CF. MMM-6902).



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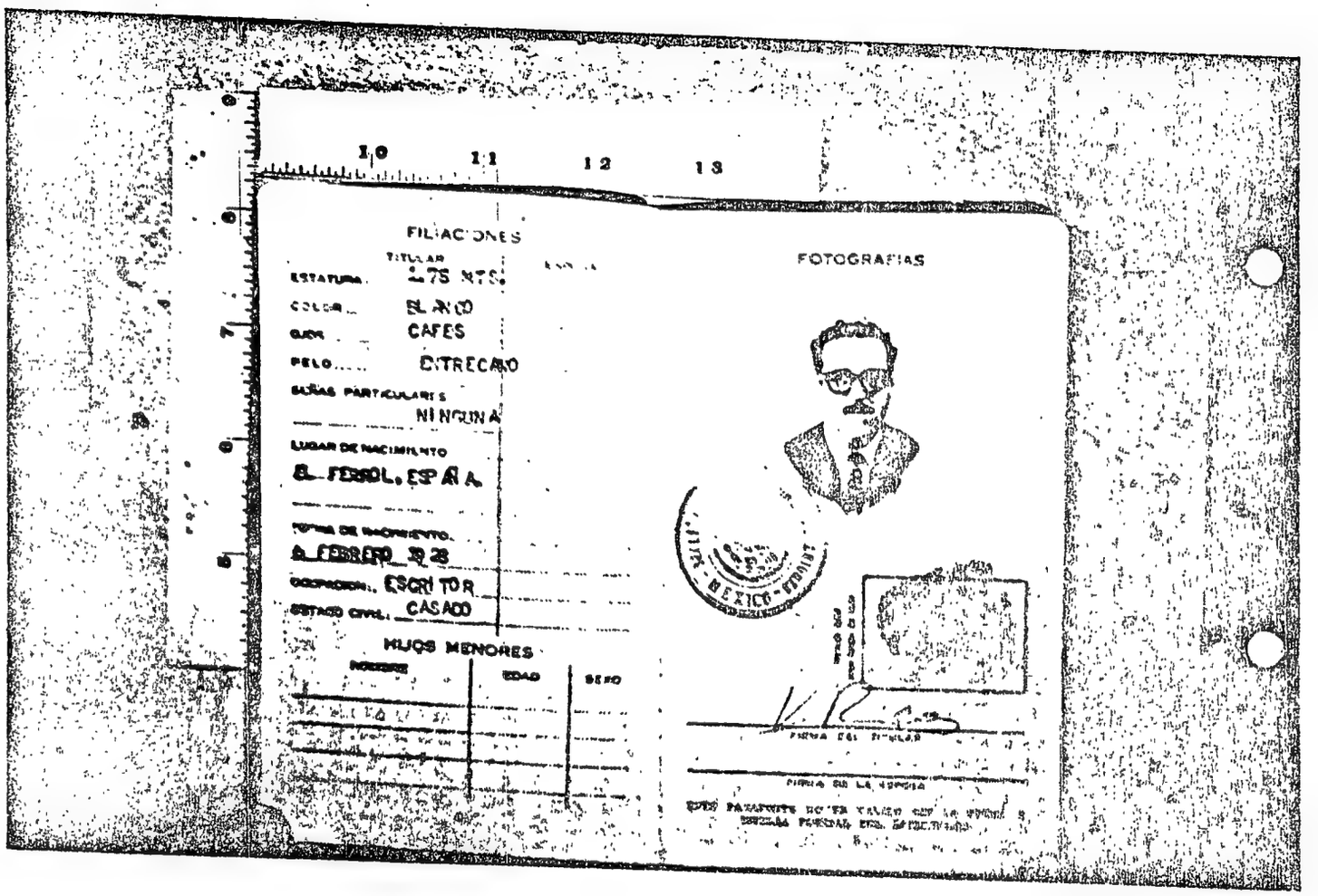

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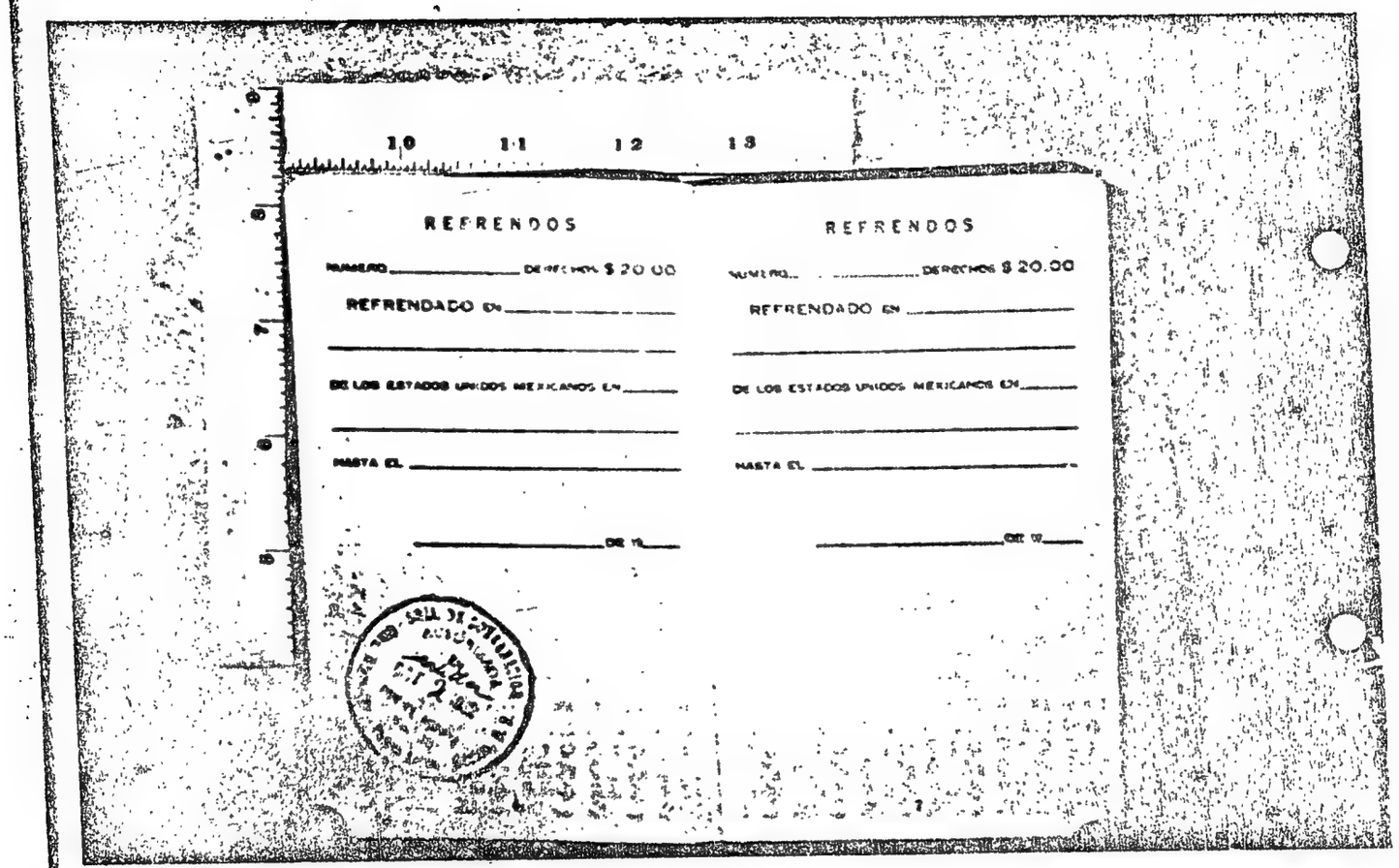

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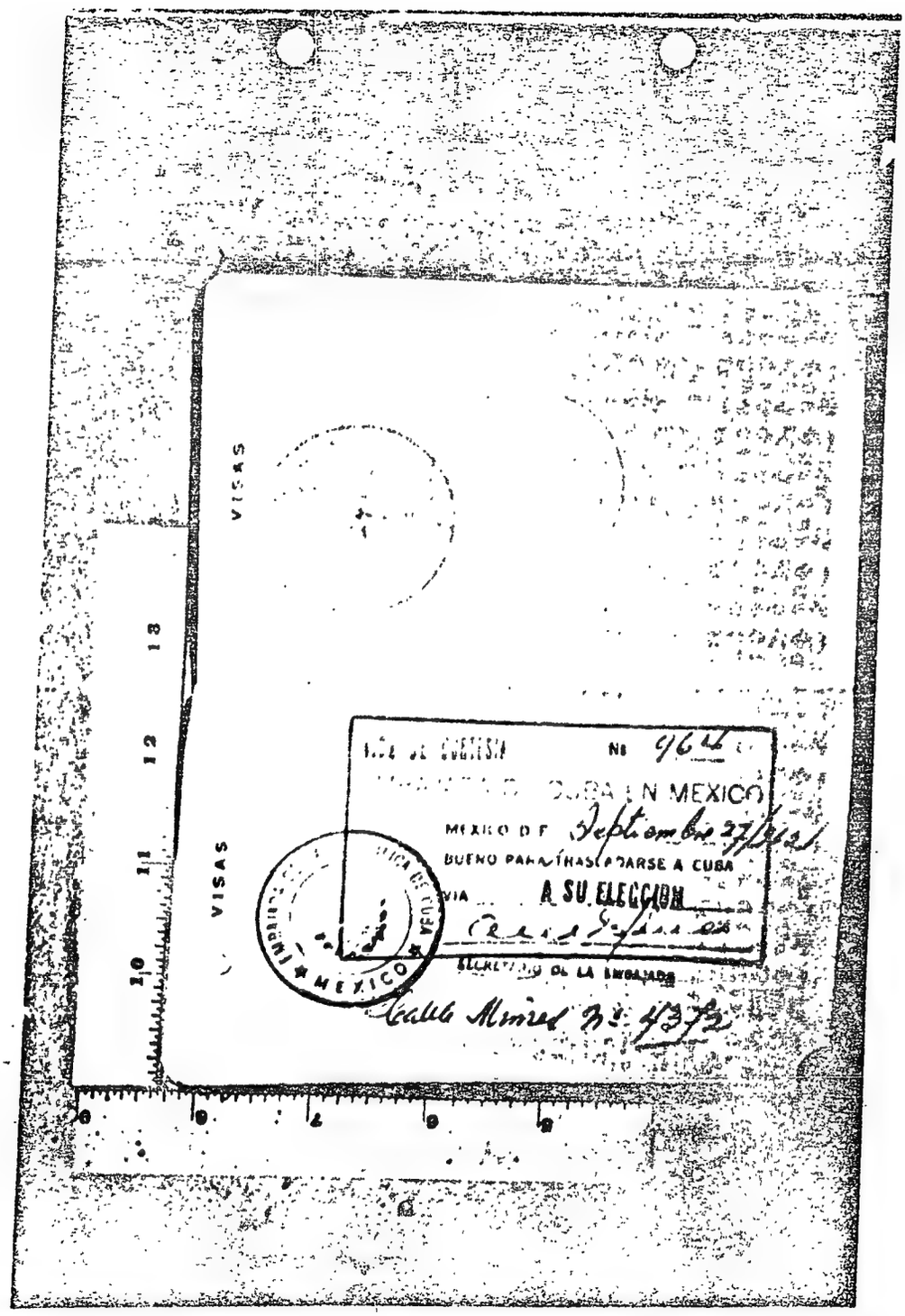
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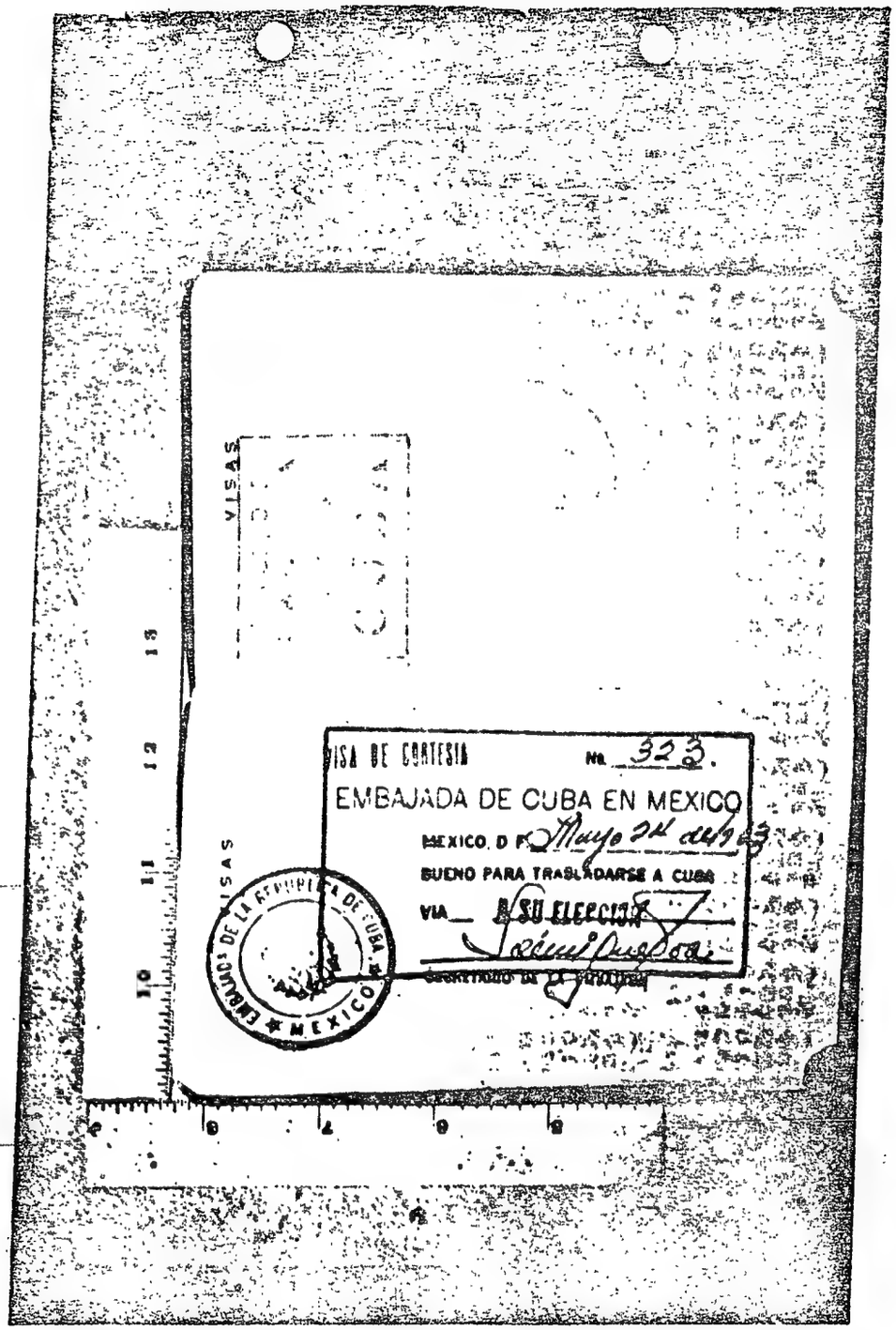
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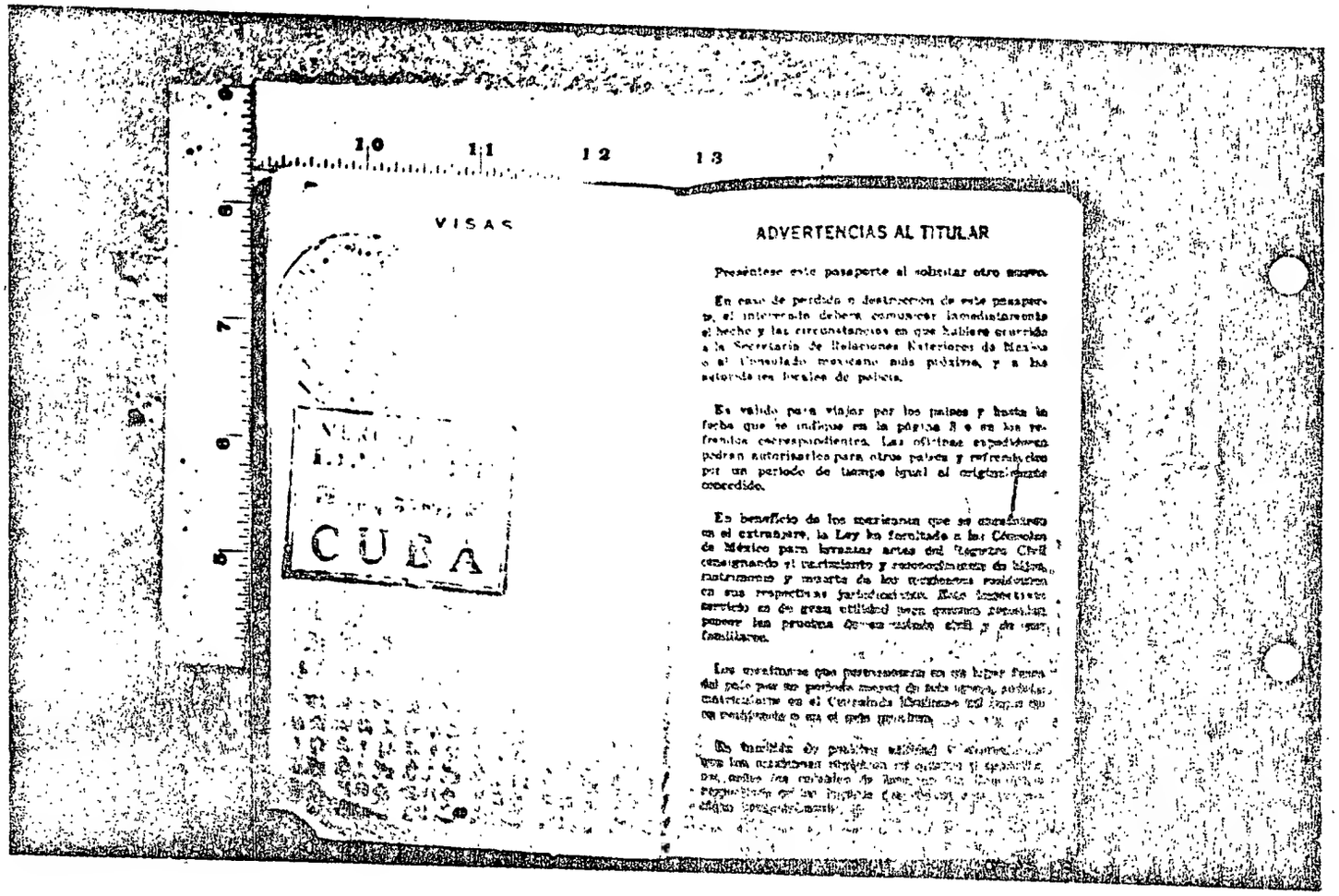

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SOURCE: Para. 1: Person (B) in close contact with Rico Galan.
Para. 2: Person (B) with good access to travel information.
Appraisal of Content: 2

1. Victor Rico Galan, Mexican Marxist journalist and head of the National Press and Propaganda Committee of the Movimiento de Liberacion Nacional (MLN - National Liberation Movement, rabidly anti-United States, pro-Cuba, Communist front, plans to write a political biography on Fidel Castro Rus, Communist Prime Minister of Cuba. Rico Galan, who proposed the idea to the Cuban Government and was accepted, will spend two months in Cuba working on the project.

2. On 2 October Rico Galan left Mexico for Habana, Cuba, on Cubana Airlines. He carried Mexican passport No. 51115, with a Cuban courtesy visa.

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C. Mexico to Czechoslovakia

There is a good chance that Mexico may participate in the Fifth Industrial Fair in Brno, Czechoslovakia, in September 1963. The announcement was made by Dr Emilio Vera Blanco, president of the National Chamber of Industry of Mexico, upon his arrival in Mexico City from Europe on 30 September 1962. While in Europe, Dr Vera Blanco had interviews with European industrialists and government officials, among them the Assistant Trade Minister of Czechoslovakia, who showed great interest in Mexico. (Mexico City, La Prensa, 1 Oct 62)

D. Mexico -- Contacts with Cuba

1. Soviet Couriers to Cuba

Russian diplomatic couriers Sergey Kulikov and Ivan Filitov left Mexico City for Havana recently in a Cubana de Aviacion airline plane on a special and very secret mission. They were carrying several bulky briefcases, which the Russian diplomats marked diplomatic pouch , and which weighed 120 kilos. Four special guards accompanied the couriers and their briefcases. The arrivals of Cubana de Aviacion airline planes in Mexico heretofore have caused incidents, as their passengers tried to smuggle Communist propaganda which the Mexican federal agents confiscated. Among the other passengers in the flight to Havana, in addition to the Russians, were the Mexican Communists Blas Galindo, a music composer, and Victor Rico Galan, a journalist. (Mexico City, El Universal, 3 Oct 62)

2. Cuban and Communist Propaganda Confiscated

Agents of the Federal Judicial Police at the airport in Mexico City, under the command of Maj Alberto Macrigal Nieto, confiscated Communist propaganda pamphlets from three Argentine citizens who arrived in the city from Havana en their way to Uruguay. The Argentines are Antonio Ricardo Hunneeus, Jose Hason Suarez, and Margarita Greisner Kreimer; en Rodriguez. Among the propaganda materials are Fidel Castro's book La Historia me Absolvera (History Will Absolve Me), several Soviet and Cuban periodicals, and Patria o Muerte (Fatherland or Death) emblems. (Mexico City, Excelsior, 3 Oct 62)

21 APRIL 61

Victor RICO Galan

SECRET MEXICO

President Adolfo LOPEZ Matoos of Mexico has promised to grant a group of prominent Mexican leftists, the majority of them journalists an interview relative to the case of Cuba on 20 April 1961. The group of leftists involved includes Alonso AGUILAR Montoverde, Dr. Gonzalo GUZMAN, Jesus SILVA Herzog, Dr. Guillermo MONTAÑO Islas, Janitzio MUGICA, Elvira VARGAS, Rafol LORANTES, RENATO Leduc, Victor RICO Galan, Carlos FUENTES, Jos ALVARDO, Fausto CASTILLO, Ricardo ZERADA and others.

TICS-3/472/253, 21 April 1961, Mexico City

SECCION A

Comunistas Guatemaltecos y sus Enlaces en México Quisieron Sabotear la Visita de DO

GUATEMALA, Guatemala, C. A., 18(d)—Exclusivo para EL HERALDO DE MEXICO—Mediante pactos y convenios bajo el terrorismo, las fuerzas rebeldes que operan en las zonas montañosas del país, tratando alcanzar sus fines, no impone que a diario sufran terribles reveses. Tanto para poner en entredicho al gobierno de la República, como para evitar que la influencia de México en la América Central supere a la que ellos pretenden que tiene Cuba, planearon sabotear la visita del mandatario de la nación vecina, Gustavo Díaz Ordaz, a estas tierras quetzales.

Para tal objeto contaron, sin duda, con la ayuda de diversos agentes en el mismo México. Uno de ellos es el periodista español Víctor Rico Galán, redactor de las revistas mexicanas "Siempre", "Política" y "Sucesos para Todos", que se ufana de haber cruzado varias veces la frontera guatemalteco-mexicana subrepticiamente, con el propósito de entrechar lazos con dichos rebeldes.

Hace poco, en suelo guatemalteco, tras de haber cruzado ilegalmente la línea divisoria, Víctor Rico Galán pidió una entrevista con uno de los jefes que encabeza el grupo de rebeldes que operan en estas montañas.

La grabación cayó en poder de fuerzas leales al gobierno de Guatemala y de la fiel reproducción que se hizo por escrito de la misma se ofrecen en seguida sus párrafos más importantes:

Compañeros, aquí he llegado con el comandante Yon, después de una serie de dificultades y muchas "aventuras"; yo y Yon hemos tenido una serie de razones que el les pido de explicar a ustedes lo mejor que yo.

"Yo he venido preparando [illegible] y su viaje, [illegible] ustedes se les oculta. Todo esto se los digo quizá con cierta prolijidad, pues, [illegible] como ustedes, [illegible] aquí en la montaña, no se percatan del papel histórico que están jugando en este momento. Y también quiero decirles que aquí, en Guatemala, he podido ver, pues, el interés, la devoción, el entusiasmo con que se sigue la lucha de guerrillas. Mi opinión es que el movimiento guerrillero en Guatemala ha prendido definitivamente y que no terminará con el fin del triunfo.

"Quiero decirles, también, que el comandante Guevara piensa exactamente lo mismo. Un compañero del Partido Comunista Mexicano, miembro del Comité Central, Juan Iscar, periodista, jefe de redacción de la revista "Sucesos para Todos", visitó Cuba y, en una entrevista con el "Che" sobre cuestiones económicas, acompañado por otros periodistas mexicanos, el "Che" les hizo una serie de preguntas sobre México y, después, ellos le preguntaron sobre los movimientos de liberación de América Latina. El "Che" les dijo que, en su opinión, los dos países tienen el movimiento en una [illegible] y más firme —a pesar de todas las dificultades—, eran Guatemala y Venezuela.

"Quiero decirles, también, algo [illegible] nunca he sido partidario de [illegible] generalizada en América Latina consiste en decir, bueno, ya vemos lo que hizo Fidel, pues [illegible] lo hizo Fidel. [illegible] Otros lo hizo Fidel. Creo que esto es un error estratégico, porque, lo que hizo Fidel, lo hizo en circunstancias históricas muy [illegible] y lo que tenemos en Latinoamérica es muy distinto y tiene que ser distinto.

"Se [illegible] al [illegible] cuestiones que no tiene objeto discutir aquí, y no es que yo sea un campeón del abandono de la ideología, no; yo creo que ustedes, los dirigentes, las personas del partido político, deben estudiar, deben leer, deben leer a los clásicos. Por otra parte, en relación con esto mismo le digo, no es lo mismo tener el problema de derrotar a una burguesía como la francesa, con ideólogos, con gobernantes de la categoría de un De Gaulle, que tener el problema de derrotar a una burguesía idiota, como la guatemalteca. A ésta sólo se le puede derrotar, casi de una pedrada. Esto, todo esto tiende a indicar, pues, que el exagerar las cuestiones ideológicas ante las masas no nos conduce a nada.

"En este punto, esto lo digo más para el compañero Rolando, ya tratando estas ideas un poco teóricamente: habría que releer y estudiar aquel famoso escrito de Mao Tse Tung sobre la contradicción; cuando el explica como las contradicciones se van desplazando en la evolución de las sociedades y, particularmente, en una evolución, como la contradicción básica va desplazándose a otras contradicciones que, muchas veces, son las más aparentes y las que más se manifiestan ante las masas".

"Yo, para venir aquí, he sido ayudado por pequeños burgueses de la región, esos pequeños burgueses no son la burguesía nacional de que se habla en el programa del PGT, pero ellos se saben burgueses. ¿Por qué vamos a enajenarnos esas colaboraciones? Porque yo le señalaba [illegible] cualquiera como el de Pancho Villa, [illegible] no cumple que es un burgués, ideólogo burgués, político burgués, y [illegible] burgués, [illegible] y [illegible] a pesar [illegible]

México, D.F., Jueves

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[illegible] se entrevistaron ayer en [illegible] el presidente de México y su esposa, por el presidente de El Salvador, quien con su familia pasa vacaciones. El presidente de El Salvador coronel Julio Adalberto Rivera pronunció un discurso de elogios [illegible] trascendentales logrados por el presidente mexicano, licenciado Gustavo Díaz Ordaz.

El texto de los discursos es el siguiente:

PALABRAS DEL LIC. GUSTAVO DIAZ ORDAZ

Hace media centuria, un [illegible] escribió en frases que tienen la unción de las [illegible] "Parece que entre los dos pueblos, través del tiempo y la distancia, los sentimientos solidarios del origen común, que no se desvanecen en la historia ni se desvanecen en la política, con la devoción [illegible] política. El Salvador en Toltecia, pertenece a la rama de los tupiles, es decir "los muchachos" de aquella brava raza que descendía de las altas mesetas aztecas para venir a poblar la región [illegible] Hay en las arterias salvadoreñas gotas de aquella sangre heroica que escribió [illegible] Cuauhtémoc al [illegible] contra fiera energía para defender el propio patrimonio y las glorias eternas de la raza".

Hoy reafirmamos [illegible] afanes, las glorias y las [illegible] de quienes nos precedieron en nuestros respectivos suelos; lo cual anhelo como una inalienable obligación de poner empeño [illegible] en el presente para conquistar un futuro mejor.

LAS VIAJADAS SOBREPASAN A LAS VIAJES.

Nos agradale la idea expresada [illegible] de todos [illegible] con el entendimiento [illegible] de que todos [illegible] de que los [illegible]

...de volver a ustedes nuevamente. Muchas gracias.

"Yo he venido pensando sinceramente y sin prisa, porque el compañero Ehrenburg me dijo que no me querían mucho...

"Les acabo esto porque se ha especulado mucho con la hora de que yo venía invitado por los compañeros cubanos e incluso que mis opiniones no eran mías, sino la expresión de las opiniones de ellos. En mis alrededores compañeros me insinuaron la conveniencia de que yo, pues, estoy acostumbrado a esto aquí. Naturalmente, no niegue por una razón fundamental: porque no estoy. Yo no vine aquí en representación de mis compañeros cubanos... De modo, pues, que desconozco todas sus opiniones al respecto; lo único que yo puedo hacer son especulaciones respecto de cual pueda ser su pensamiento en la medida que conozco, pues son ideas generales y entonces, como se lo que piensan de los movimientos de liberación que accionan en la América latina, me puedo imaginar lo que puedan opinar respecto a este problema; pero eso también se lo pueden imaginar ustedes, que saben también que es lo que ellos piensan. De modo que no tendría ningún sentido mi viaje, si este tuviera por objeto manifestarles algo que ustedes pueden saber perfectamente.

"Lo que yo he expresado aquí ha sido bajo mi exclusiva responsabilidad y producto de mi cerebro, trabajando solo.

"Yo he visto en el plan internacional la importancia que tiene el Movimiento 13 de Noviembre, como un símbolo de la lucha de liberación nacional, no solo de Guatemala, sino de América Latina, y la importancia que tiene el comandante Adán como jefe, como cabeza de ese núcleo.

"En México, casi, yo les he acena la broma de que parece que me consideraran el dueño de la revolución guatemalteca. Porque cada vez que llego por allá una noticia, en una periódico, objetivamente, pues todas las personas revolucionarias me llaman por teléfono, me van a buscar para ver qué es lo que yo opino, como si yo tuviera un hilo directo con la Sierra de Madre, cuando ellos saben que no es así. Pero muy especial, y lo que ha estado sucediendo es muy distinto y lejos de ser así.

"Se muy bien que el planteamiento político que estoy haciendo es lo que no quiere comprometerse... Les voy a explicar la idea lo más claramente que yo pueda. Mi idea es de cuando se está luchando en un país altamente desarrollado, muy complicado, muy [illegible] una clase obrera con una gran experiencia... en movimientos políticos, con militancia, donde incluso los propios campesinos tienen una aguda conciencia de los problemas y sus necesidades, vamos a decir, en Francia; vamos a decir, en Italia, todos esos... [illegible] figuras sobre la composición de la burguesía, a los que ustedes se refieren; distinciones entre diversos sectores de la burguesía, análisis sobre las necesidades de la clase obrera, sobre el papel internacional de la lucha de los pueblos semicoloniales o coloniales, etc., son allá necesarias y son necesarias, porque, para que un partido, para que un grupo tenga influencia, necesita convencer a masas altamente politizadas.

"En nuestros países, no se nos plantea ese problema, porque las masas nuestras son sumamente inconscientes de nuestro punto de vista político; o mejor dicho, en términos mejores, más claros, más exactos: tienen una conciencia muy elemental de sus problemas: la conciencia del campesino es por la tierra, y eso que no va más allá por el momento. Pero que se le dé un pedazo de tierra, se le olvida en escuelas para sus hijos y atención médica, etc., no pide más explicaciones, porque a eso no se le plantean más problemas. Entonces, cuando yo les "revolución socialista"; todas esas cosas que las masas bolivianas, que las milicias armadas, pero que es una confusión verdaderamente espantosa, y yo lo digo, porque conozco y he estado allí y he visto cosas de problemas grandes. Cuando yo todo eso sobre [illegible] dice que las masas [illegible] políticas... En un país altamente desarrollado, con [illegible] hecho se mira [illegible] Pero verdad [illegible] puede [illegible]

[illegible] no el señor Villagran Kramer; no cabe duda alguna es un burgués, [illegible] burgués político burgués; y, sin embargo, pues ha prestado colaboración a todos y puede volver a prestarla, cada necesidad hay de [illegible] con él.

"Ahora quisiera decir algunas [illegible] para el [illegible] necesidad en Cuba. No quiero irme y me costo bastante [illegible] trabajo convencer finalmente, lo logré, [illegible] ver que, en todo caso, el compañero Rolando tenía que descansar algún tiempo a su curación y que, fuera que eso se hiciera en México, en Cuba o en Checoslovaquia, que ellos estaban en condiciones de acompañarlo en el momento en que él quisiera. Se le avisaría, naturalmente, a la [illegible] donde ella pudiera conectarse. Yo quiero, en todo caso, si el compañero Rolando decide salir por México, darle mi número de teléfono, para que pueda localizarme de inmediato y me pueda hablar, con el mismo nombre de Ricardo. Allí me encuentra hasta las diez de la mañana o a eso de las tres y media de la tarde, que es el almuerzo en México.

"Les envío un abrazo cordial, a los que, [illegible] conozco mucho a través de una serie de testimonios orales de cintas grabadas; este sistema de las cintas grabadas es muy útil, podría haberse [illegible] unido en Chihuahua. Me horrorizo bastante y veo que se han olvidado algunas cosas; en primer lugar, para Rolando, lo siguiente: el niño, su hijo, está naturalmente con su madre. Fue con ella en el viaje, iba en buenas condiciones. Yo lo vi unos días antes de mi salida de México, con motivo del cumpleaños de mi hijita menor.

"Bueno, un saludo muy cordial otra vez, ahora sí ya definitivo, al comandante Herbert. Me divirtió mucho su grabación, y, además la recordé mucho la otra noche cuando venía yo subiendo para acá; aquella frase de él, donde dice que [illegible] nada es [illegible] para es una [illegible] Supongo que se refiere a una montaña [illegible] hijo de... y que está, pero está para [illegible] porque yo me [illegible] de [illegible] a veinte minutos [illegible]

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[illegible] LAS ARMAS.

Nos interesa [illegible] las [illegible] [illegible] en [illegible] [illegible] que el [illegible] [illegible] de lo que somos, con la certeza de que las [illegible] de nuestros pueblos [illegible] las [illegible] de nuestra política y de las [illegible] con la [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] y los [illegible] que dejará a la [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] con [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

que [illegible]

Dijo que al dar la bienvenida al Presidente mexicano, "lo saludo como símbolo de una democracia auténtica de América, cuya grandeza inspirará a cuantos amamos la libertad".

Este viaje, dijo, "entraña el feliz augurio de una acrecentada cooperación constructiva entre nuestros pueblos".

Cordial Abrazo...

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Mexicanos y salvadoreños, han coincidido en su fervor por la libertad y en la lucha por conquistarla. Si hemos coincidido en el pasado con mayor razón debemos estar unidos en el porvenir para acrecentar la solidaridad y la cooperación entre ambos pueblos.

AYUDA EN LO CULTURAL

Solidaridad y cooperación son precisamente nuestras más altas aspiraciones en el desenvolvimiento de nuestras relaciones sociales, políticas, culturales y económicas.

En lo político, queremos una América justa, democrática, humanitaria, donde las personas y los pueblos se desarrollen libremente, sin violencia interna, sin presiones del exterior.

En lo cultural tenemos que ayudarnos crecientemente, sabiendo que el de la cultura es el ámbito en el que los hombres pueden entenderse mejor.

En lo económico podemos hacer mucho más de lo que hasta ahora hemos hecho para fortalecer nuestra necesaria industrialización e intensificar el comercio de nuestros países.

Necesitamos urgentemente elevar el nivel de vida de nuestros pueblos, que con justicia reclaman pan y libertad; cultura y bienestar; salud y seguridad. Disponemos de recursos propios, de tierras generosas, de voluntad dispuesta a labrar un porvenir más justo para todos.

¡Ha llegado la hora del esfuerzo conjunto y de la cooperación honrada!

EL VALOR DE LA AMISTAD

Confío en que mi estancia en este país hermano resulte propicia para afianzar la cordialidad de nuestras Repúblicas y avivar, mediante actos prácticos y fecundos, la fe que depositamos en el valor de nuestra amistad.

Se que interpreto a todos los mexicanos al desear al intrépido pueblo salvadoreño prosperidad en el trabajo, seguridad en la justicia y paz en la libertad.

Excelentísimo señor Presidente: La señora de Díaz Ordaz y yo, así como los miembros del gobierno mexicano que me acompañan, agradecemos a usted profundamente sus palabras tan deferentes y amables que nos ha tributado como bienvenida y cordialidad con que el gobierno y el pueblo de El Salvador nos han obsequiado la hospitalidad que disfrutamos en este momento.

[illegible] Presidente, que en el [illegible] una feliz estancia [illegible] República centroamericana.

25 minutos después inició el Presidente mexicano el recorrido del aeropuerto a la embajada de México, a 13 kilómetros de distancia, donde miles de personas lo saludaron efusivamente.

¡Viva México!...

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te de El Salvador, coronel Julio A. Rivera, durante su discurso de bienvenida.

Momentos antes, al descender el mandatario mexicano del avión que lo puso en suelo salvadoreño, el Presidente Rivera rompió el protocolo y se dirigió hasta la escalerilla del avión para recibir con un abrazo al jefe del gobierno mexicano. La multitud concentrada en el aeropuerto rompió en aclamaciones que fueron apagadas momentáneamente por los honores de ordenanza y 21 salvas en honor del ilustre visitante.

Antes de abandonar el aeropuerto, el mandatario mexicano y sus acompañantes rememoraron el suelo patrio al escuchar las mexicanísimas canciones interpretadas por un grupo de mariachis.

El Presidente Díaz Ordaz había arribado a las 10.30 horas.

Durante su recorrido por las calles salvadoreñas, el pueblo se reunía a lo largo del trayecto para aplaudir al paso de la comitiva. Los dos mandatarios saludaban de pie a bordo de un automóvil negro descubierto. Las serpentinas y el papel picado caían de los edificios en lluvia de simbólica amistad y cariño entre los dos pueblos. El cruce de las calles de esa capital centroamericana, los postes, ventanas y escaparates de los comercios, lucían nuestros colores patrios y grandes y pequeñas fotografías del Presidente Díaz Ordaz y de su señora esposa.

Co...unistas...

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lles de una ciudad, y aquí casi me tenía que arrastrar.

"Bueno, ahora sí ya me despido definitivamente. ¡Viva el gran Mao, viva la revolución socialista de América! ¡Hasta luego, compañeros!"

La labor subversiva y de agitación del comunista Víctor Ilico Galán se patentizó también en México con agresivos escritos suyos, publicados en las revistas donde trabaja, y en los cuales censuró acremente la visita del Presidente de México, país en el que Ilico Galán vive asilado. Reproducciones de sus artículos circularon entre los rebeldes guatemaltecos, con los cuales, mediante el periodista mencionado y otros agentes, mantiene estrecho contacto el Partido Comunista de México.

Por todo esto, el Gobierno de Guatemala creyó pertinente tomar todas las medidas necesarias que garantizaron la seguridad del mandatario mexicano y de los miembros de su comitiva, durante su visita a nuestra nación.

[illegible] gar en el Museo del Hombre, casa donada por el internacionalista licenciado Isidro Fabela, en donde se reunieron varios de los más destacados jurisconsultos mexicanos, miembros de la Sociedad de Derecho Internacional, organismo mundial que preside el licenciado Miguel Alemán, por un período de dos años.

A nombre del ex presidente de México, hizo uso de la palabra el licenciado Luis G. Sevilla, quien exaltó los méritos profesionales del señor Robert [illegible] en bien de la causa del Derecho mundial, el que ha ejercido con rectitud a través de su vida, como miembro de la Sociedad de Derecho Internacional.

Asistieron a tan importante acto las siguientes personalidades: licenciado Miguel Alemán, senador Ezequiel Padilla, el señor Fulton Freeman, embajador de los Estados Unidos en nuestro país, licenciado Manuel J. Sierra, funcionario de la Secretaría de Hacienda y Crédito Público, licenciado Luis G. Sevilla, licenciado Juan [illegible] A. Alpuche, licenciado Octavio Trías Aduna, oficial mayor del Comité Nacional de Turismo y varias personas más.

Recibió GDO las Llaves de San Salvador

SAN SALVADOR, enero 12 de 1966.- El Alcalde de San Salvador, ingeniero José Napoleón Duarte, entregó esta mañana al Presidente Díaz Ordaz, las llaves de la ciudad, momentos después de que en el aeropuerto de Ilopango el Presidente Julio Adalberto Rivera le había dado la bienvenida.

Al agradecer esta distinción el Mandatario Mexicano expresó:

"Mi esposa y yo agradecemos como una gran distinción este nuevo honor que la ciudad que nos ha abierto sus puertas nos dispensa, al entregarnos la llave no que abre el afecto, como usted dice señor Alcalde, sino que lo confirma, porque viene de muy hondas raíces y que es amplia, sincera y cordialmente correspondido por los mexicanos para su país. Muchas gracias."

Califican de Histórico el Viaje de GDO

GUATEMALA (AMSI) La prensa guatemalteca señaló que la actual visita a Centroamérica del Presidente mexicano Gustavo Díaz Ordaz afianza una tradicional amistad y abre nuevas posibilidades de desarrollo industrial a los países del mercado común.

El matutino "Impacto" califica de "histórico" el comunicado conjunto sobre la visita de Díaz Ordaz a Guatemala y subraya como punto medular de dicho documento el hecho de que "el convenio comercial entre México y Guatemala será estudiado para corregir el desnivel de la

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1. The attached passports were obtained from a sensitive photo coverage at the airport in Mexico City of passports of persons arriving on all flights from Havana, Cuba, and Brussels, Belgium. (Many Soviets travel to Mexico via Brussels.) The operation is conducted with the knowledge of a particular office of the Mexican Government but is not a liaison.

2. It is suggested that your desk review the passports of your citizens, and send the copy to the 201 file in RID if there is one, and take whatever other action you wish. There should be no dissemination of the passport and no exploitation thereof without prior coordination with WH/3/Mexico and without due care to protect the source.

3. Copies of these passports and the reels have been furnished TSD/IB therefore you should not send your copies to them.

4. The manifests have been sent to RID/ZZ for processing.

5. Any questions on the above or the attachments should be directed to the LITEMPO case officer, WH/3/Mexico, x6026 or x6110, Room 3B003.

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The following pages contain a translation of a talk by Mexican journalist Victor Rico Galan. The talk was recorded on a small portable tape recorder and was then taken to the hills and played to the Guatemalan guerrillas. This taped talk and seven other small rolls of taped propaganda and discussion were captured in mid October 1964 by the Guatemalan Army in a raid against guerrillas in the Panzos area of Alta Verapaz. The identities of some of the names used in the talk are as follows:

Commandante Adan: Marco Antonio YON Sosa, leader of the "13th of November" guerrilla movement. This is the first time we have heard of YON Sosa referred to by this name.

Companero Enrique: a mockingly respectful reference to Guatemalan Chief of Government Col. Enrique PERALTA.

The arrest of Galvan: Felipe Galvan Bartoluchi, Mexican courier to Guatemala was arrested in Guatemala City in March 1964. He was carrying two suitcases of communist literature and records at the time, and was himself documented as "Isidro Alfaro Ramos".

Sierra de las Minas: Mountain area north west of Zacapa; guerrilla safe area.

PGT: Partido Guatemalteco del Trabajo, the Guatemalan Communist Party.

Luis Turcios Lima: Second in command of the "13th of November" guerrillas.

Comrade Rolando: Obviously a pseudonym. We have been unable to establish this man's true identity.

Pancho Villagran Kramer: Francisco Villagran Kramer, leftist Guatemalan political leader; head of the URD Party.

Alfredo Guerra Borges: Central Committee member of the PGT.

Phone No. 23 07 92: Mexico City phone directories for 1962 and 1964 list this number as follows: DIENER, Tilli Pichler Vda de, Providencia 930

PUR: A Guatemalan revolutionary party, now rather inactive. A number of PGT members also belong to the PUR.

Compañeros:

I have arrived here together with Comandante Adan after a series of hardships and of many delays owing to a number of reasons which he can explain in detail even better perhaps than I could.

I have been making these trips without a visa because the compañero Enrique seems not be overly fond of me, and motivated by two reasons. One of them is to try to put my shoulder a little to the wonderful struggle you are carrying on, by a reportage on the guerrillas. The other reason was my concern over a number of circumstances, and basically the arrest of Galvan in Guatemala.

So I came with the wish primarily of giving you the items of information I had, and particularly to Comandante Adan. I make this clear because there has been considerable speculation to the effect that I was being sent by the Cuban comrades and even that my opinions were not mine at all but the expression of their opinions. In fact, some comrades suggested to me the advisability that I should mention this here.

I refused, of course, for a basic reason: because it is not so. I did not come here as a representative of the Cuban comrades, whom I have not seen since February, 64, when none of these problems had arisen, or if they had arisen they were not acquainted with them, or if they were acquainted with them they did not tell me about them. So, I have no idea what their opinion on the subject may be. Consequently, all I can do is speculate on what might be their thinking to the limit that I am aware of their general ideas; and then, since I know what they think about the liberation movements in Latin America, I can imagine what they might think with regard to these problems.

But you also can imagine that, since you also know what they think. So there would be no sense to my trip here if its purpose were to tell you something that you may know perfectly well. What I have stated here has been on my own exclusive responsibility and as a result of my [word unintelligible] working alone.

I have told the Comandante that in my opinion there have arisen here a number of problems which have objective roots but which have become somewhat complicated and distorted to the extent of leading to a situation that may be dangerous in the future, that may convert the Trece de Noviembre into just another group, another sect, that may therefore isolate slightly from the masses in general or at least from a number of strata of the people whose support in the struggle is important.

On the international plane I have seen the importance of the Trece de Noviembre as a symbol of the struggle for national liberation not only of Guatemala but also of Latin America, and the importance of Comandante Adan as the chief or head of that nucleus. The reportage I wrote on it just a year ago was successful partly owing to the collaboration of the Cuban comrades and partly because of the natural curiosity aroused by the subject. It was reproduced by newspapers in the United States, in Europe--for instance, L'Estrelle de Paris reprinted it; it was reprinted by the New Statesman of London; newspapers of a broad but important left wing in Europe--I even have a magazine from New Zealand which reprinted the reportage.

By that I convey to you the importance which was attributed to the movement. I have not mentioned Cuba or China, of course. You know that the interview was published by Hoy, the organ of the PCRS, and in China it was reprinted by the Party organ, People's Daily.

I have also received a series of letters from various countries, and in my travels I have noticed how people would ask me with enormous interest about your struggle. In Mexico I pretty nearly told them in jest that it seems that they regard me as the owner of the Guatemalan revolution because every time that some news item or rumor reaches them all the revolutionary people come and talk to me on the telephone or send for me to find out what my opinion is, as though I had a direct wire to the Sierra de las Minas there to be informed of every last thing that occurs to you.

I tell you all this in somewhat prolix detail because I am afraid that you, buried to some extent here in the mountains, may not be aware of the historic role you are playing at this moment. And I also want to tell you that here in Guatemala, where I have been for two weeks--although I was here covertly and that, of course, limited my activity--I have nevertheless been able to see the interest, devotion, and enthusiasm with which the guerrilla struggle is being followed.

My opinion is that the guerrilla movement in Guatemala has definitely taken hold and that it will end only on the day of victory. I want to tell you also recently I found out that Comandante Guevara thinks exactly the same. A comrade in the Mexican Communist Party, a member of the Central Committee and newsman, visited Cuba. A close personal friend of mine, he visited Cuba and had an interview with Che mainly on economic matters, together with other Mexican newsmen. They talked for a long time, and when they finished Che asked them a number of questions about Mexico and then they asked him about the liberation movements in Latin America. Che told them that in his opinion the two countries in which the movement was most solid and firm despite every difficulty were Guatemala and Vene-

suels.

I think for this reason that you must view your problems not as another group carrying on polemics with other groups but to some extent from the height in which you are placed, even physically. You must realise that the difficulties there have been are due basically to the fact that the comrades in the PGT have long delayed turning into deeds their own ideas on the struggle. They have set forth a line to the effect that aspects may not be discussed but that [phrase unintelligible] correct. The 11-point resolution of December which places the armed struggle and especially the guerrilla phase at the core of the revolutionary struggle seems to me to be correct in general. But they have had many difficulties because there have been debates, obscurities, some of them perhaps did not understand that or were opposed--I do not know, I do not have many details. But of course it has not been possible; they have not found it possible or else have lacked the capability to devote their activity to the armed struggle. Consequently their participation, which there has been--we cannot deny it; I think it would be unjust to deny the participation of the PGT--has been the participation of a rearguard, of support. They have lost cadres here in [Ixtabal?] and elsewhere , suffered the consequences of the struggle; some comrades of the PGT are actively persecuted--but always in connection with support activities.

I believe your role is to drag them into a more active participation in the struggle--not to fight them or fight them only to the extent that such a fight may lead them into the battle and not occasion a split. In my opinion this is going to be much easier from now on because, although what happened with the publication of the newspaper is dangerous in my opinion--and it is dangerous because it poses a number of things which

are not understood, you see? and in the second place they cause a state of confusion, especially among a people which is not politically sophisticated, as in Guatemala--, I think that despite those --- those negative things this has been the clang of a bell; has shown the comrades in the POT the extent to which they had committed errors and abandoned a number of possibilities of struggle.

About that I have talked to them at considerable length and have talked to them in utter loyalty and clarity, and they admit that all that is taking place is not the product of error on the part of the Trece or a bad line of the Trece exclusively but a product of their very own errors also. They do assume their share of responsibility and I think it is important that you know and appreciate that fact--important for this reason, that there might arise in some comrades, and I am referring particularly to Rolando, a certain lowering of morale: that he might think that he erred in some things and might allow himself to be destroyed politically. I think this would be a serious error, do you not? and I think it would be false attitude. We must start from the premise that everybody has committed errors and that these errors have been commonplace everywhere. Let us remember, for instance, that in Cuba there was in the organisation of that famous strike, the one that failed, of April 1959, none other that a David Salvador, who was a Falangista, and there was none other than a [Bill DeWalt?] who was an imperialist agent; and that in Cuba there were public statements of the 26 July movement which Fidel Castro had to disown later, and there was constant misunderstanding between the people who were in the sierras and the militants in the cities; and there were very serious conflicts between the PCP and the 26 July movement; and there were all those parasites from the Escambray Second Front who were good for nothing. In short, a series of problems, which did not prevent attaining victory because the position

they always maintained was that the fundamental nucleus of the 26 July organisation was an agent of cohesion of the revolutionary forces, and they succeeded in polarising those revolutionary forces and succeeded in avoiding problems, and this in the end led the revolutionary forces to victory.

With regard to this, I would like to tell you something else: I have never been in favor of that attitude, very widely generalised in Latin America, which is to say: "Well, you can see what Fidel did. This was not done by Fidel; this was done by Fidel." I think this is abysmal error, because what Fidel did he did under very special historical circumstances, and what you are doing is different and has to be different. You have no reason at all to follow the Cuban or any other experience, but I do think it is advisable to learn from international experience and take advantage of it to the extent that it may be useful.

I say this because it seems to me that there has been here a certain idealistic tendency to take a position above the masses. I am referring to the debates on the character of the revolution, on the participation of the bourgeoisie, whether the Chinese or the Soviets are right, and a number of questions like that. I realise very well that when I say this you may say that I am half out of my mind or that I am unwilling to commit myself to a position. That is not so: I shall try to explain my idea as clearly as I can.

My idea is this: When you are struggling in a country which is highly developed, very complicated, politically very sophisticated, where there is a working class of great experience, politically informed, militant, where even the peasants themselves are acutely aware of their problems, their needs --let us say France, let us say Italy--all those rigorous analyses of the composition of the bourgeoisie, distinctions among various aspects of that bourgeoisie, analyses of the needs of the working class, of the international

role of the struggle of semicolonial or colonial peoples, and so forth, are necessary. They are necessary because for a party, for a group to have authority it has to persuade masses which have high political sophistication. In our countries we face no such problems. We do not face such problems because our masses are thoroughly unconcerned from a political standpoint.

In another --- rather, stated in better terms, more clearly and more accurately, they have a very elementary understanding of their problems. The concern of the peasant is for the soil; I do not think it goes beyond that at the moment. I believe that if the peasant is offered land, is offered schooling for his children, medical care, and so forth, he will not demand any more explanations. He sees no other problems.

So, when I read in Revolucion Socialista all these things, about the Bolivian masses, the armed militias, it is a truly shocking confusion. And I say this because I know Bolivia, I have been there, I have seen their real problems. When I see all this about Peru, where the masses are said to be doing their will, with a semifeudal government, it is truly --- it seems to me that we are falling into a number of questions which there is no purpose in discussing here.

And it is not that I champion the abandonment of ideology. No, I think that you, the leaders, the people of the central nucleus, must study, must read, must read the classics. The other day I heard a recording by our comrade [Surcio?] with reference to this, and I think the attitude is very proper. You must have the clearest possible view, but I think it would be mistaken on your part not to realize that if you advance too far ahead you will isolate yourselves from the masses.

Also, and in connection with this same subject, it is not the same thing

to face the problem of defeating a bourgeoisie such as the French bourgeoisie, which has ideologists and has rulers of the caliber of a De Gaulle, and to face the problem of defeating an idiotic bourgeoisie such as the Guatemalan bourgeoisie, with a ruler like comrade Enrique, is it? In other words, the weapon needed to shoot down De Gaulle--to state it thus in very simple and personal terms--has to be much more long-range and much more perfect than the weapon required to shoot down Peralta. Peralta can be brought down just about by pitching a rock at him, can he not?

This, all this tends to indicate that to exaggerate ideological questions to the masses will lead us nowhere. I have been able to observe that the following has happened with the newspaper--and I told Comandante Adan yesterday--: that those who understand it do not approve of it. And I am not referring to the people of the PGT but to many well-meaning people: for instance, to Rodrigo Asturias, who is in Mexico, a survivor of the [Cumquat?], a wholesome fellow, studious, concerned, who is very anxious to come here to join the struggle--he was really dumbfounded at the document. The same for honorable people like Carlos [Barquesada]. On the other hand, most of the people, the masses that do not understand it, cannot understand all that complicated terminology, all that obscurity, all those generalisations of concepts that do not stimulate anybody to the struggle, that do not pose actual and concrete objectives.

That is my opinion. I believe that on this point you must establish a very skilful, very intelligent balance between your own political training and your daily contact with the masses, and you will gradually be told [sic] what the masses must be told.

On this point--I say this rather to comrade Rolando--, putting those

ideas into slightly theoretical form, it would be necessary to reread and study that famous document by Mao Tse-tung on contradiction, where he explains how contradictions are gradually displaced in the evolution of society and particularly, in a revolution, how the basic contradiction gradually displaces other contradictions which often are the most apparent ones and are most manifest to the masses and which all express the basic or fundamental contradiction but express it in different ways.

So we have no reason to propose the destruction of the bourgeoisie and alienate the support of a number of people who feel bourgeois. I myself, to come here, was helped by petty bourgeois of this area itself. These petty bourgeois, of course, are not the national bourgeoisie to which the program of the PGT refers, but they feel they are bourgeois. They cannot distinguish, when you condemn the national bourgeoisie in the newspaper, they cannot distinguish between themselves and whether they are or are not the national bourgeoisie. They feel affected. Why should we alienate their collaboration?

I even pointed out to the Comandante cases such as that of Pancho Villagran Kramer: there is no doubt that he is bourgeois, a bourgeois ideologist and a bourgeois politician, yet he has given you his collaboration and may give it again. What need is there to have a fight with him? One must maintain the firmness of principles, as Comandante Adan did in the interview, specify clearly the disagreements, but not picture him as an enemy. It seems to me that on this point Comandante Adan expressed the true policy, which consisted not in saying, "Villagran is our enemy because he is bourgeois"--which would be the logical consequence of what has been published in the newspaper--but to say, "He is my friend but I think that he is mistaken; that he is not going to accomplish anything." This seems to me

the right thing to do. Also, the movement is at a stage where what it needs is friends.

Well, I think I have talked a good deal and rather haphazardly, but--I wish you had arrived; I was clinging to that hope, although I knew it was very unlikely, since you have already delayed too long. Unfortunately it has not been that way, has it? So I wanted to leave my greeting to you and some of the impressions I have of the situation.

I can add something to what I have already told you. The comrades of the PCT asked me after I had been here for quite a few days and they had shown me a number of things--I even think that they wanted to be sincere because they also showed me tapes in which they were harshly criticized, in which their own cadres criticised them--they arranged interviews for me with persons within the party who are in disagreement with the leadership--in short, I was able to get a considerably more objective picture--they asked me for my observations and criticisms, which I gave them in all loyalty.

The basic criticism I believe continues to be the lack of more active participation in the armed struggle and of the channeling of cadres to the armed struggle.This I think continues to be the main problem; they admit it. In general I must tell you that most of my criticisms were well received by them.

I even asked for a talk with Guerra Borges because I thought that his article in the International [i.e. World Marxist] Review contained some expressions of opinion which were not correct, although in others it was on the right track. We discussed it and he had a receptive attitude, and in the end admitted that there was someerror, owing to the need to make the article too condensed.

On the point, which I think has been posed here rather insistently, of whether the bourgeoisie participates, the famous thesis of the four classes, in other words, they were telling me--I am referring particularly to the comrades of the political commission, with whom I had a lengthy meeting--they have applied it somewhat mechanically, somewhat as convention dictates, as has been done by a majority of the parties in countries such as this one, but without actually having a clear notion on the subject, and among them there were arguments, struggles, and disagreements with regard to the role of the bourgeoisie.

So I think that it is perfectly possible to debate on this point. I do not think that the policy should be to set out a public thesis, and even less a public polemic. I do not think that it is particularly important to the struggle that the theory of the four classes be upheld publicly. I do not think that anyone will be disappointed to see that in this country there is a peasantry or a proletariat so radical and so enlightened that it will refuse to cooperate with the national bourgeoisie. So I think it is a somewhat unproductive polemic.

I am also fully convinced that the national bourgeoisie has no revolutionary role to play at this time in Latin America and much less in Guatemala. And that it does not depend on the theories proposed or the thinking of Guerra Borges, or the thinking of Rubio or the thinking of anyone else. I believe that is a fact, and facts are above all else. And I think that the moment that the struggle grows up, that the revolutionary power grows strong and is established on a free territory, this will be seen still more clearly. But I see no reason why this should be announced a priori; that is, I do not see why we should make the revolution in the newspapers, if it is

being carried on in the mountains.

Now I would like to say a few words for our comrade Rolando. They are nothing secret, but they are things which interest him personally.

Isabel is in Cuba. I left 15 days ago today; that is, yesterday, Saturday, it was two weeks. The day after my departure she was to leave for Cuba, by way of Europe, of course, so she would be able to return. The trip had already been set up by Comandante Guevara, and Isabel had been invited, but it had not been made definite because the Cubans move very slowly in some things. Just after the trip of [woman's name] and the letter Rolando sent me, and in view of what he was requesting of me in that letter--and the difficult situation that she was in, obviously, from every viewpoint, including the economic one, and the my difficulties in any attempt to give any help--I of course tried to activate the matter of her trip, went at it in a direct manner, and arrangements were made right away. She did not want to go. First of all she was very interested in knowing how the situation would come out here and what I would propose on my return, etc. In addition she was very concerned about the health and the morale of comrade Rolando. So she did not want to go, and I had a rather hard time persuading her. At last I succeeded; I showed her that in any event Rolando in my opinion would have to devote some time to his treatment. Whether this was done in Cuba, or Mexico, or Czechoslovakia, she would be in a position to accompany him;when he left she of course would be notified in Havana, and [from there] she could get in touch.

In any event, if comrade Rolando decides to go via Mexico, I want to give him my telephone number so he can locate me right away. He can use the name Rolando. My number is 23 07 92. He will find me there up to 1000 or about 1930 hours [several words unintelligible]. So if he goes clandestinely and has any problem he can talk to me, carefully, of course, as the

phone is under surveillance. He can use the name Rolando and address me in the familiar form ["tú"], as an old friend who has come in from the provinces. Then I shall look for him and try to find a way to solve the problems he may have.

As to this matter of Rolando's health I think it is very important to discard the "theory" that it is nothing serious, etc., which he himself is spreading about. I do not think this situation can be allowed to remain indefinitely, with him in poor health. I have talked about this to the comrades in the POT here, although it looks as though they are not very fond of him for the time being--and of course that makes sense--and they have promised to take care of the matter. I have also asked Comandante Adan as commander-in-chief to do something about the problem. I think it would be useful, do you not? [phrase blurred].

Well, that is all for the time being. I hope your meeting will be successful. I hope that the difficulties will be overcome, and that this situation will be taken advantage of to reshape all things and to give new drive to the struggle. I think the experiences acquired can be very useful--for instance the experience here of Comandante Adan and the boys with the peasants and the plan to organise them and occupy lands. I think it can be developed into ever more perfect forms. Of course that directive of occupying lands, given here in practice, is a provocation which can result in the peasants' being massacred, but when it is done in a planned manner, in a way that the guerrilla can offer them protection and in which they can be taught to protect themselves, as in the case that has happened here--I think it can be a first-rate revolutionary factor.

I think you ought to give special attention to these things--and above all else is the problem of unity. If on the one hand you do not feel

you are in possession of the truth but on the other hand you do not feel you are victims of the possessors of the truth--I say this for comrade Rolando--I think you can accomplish a great change in the outlook and give a great push to the struggle. You have to know, be aware of, have a clear idea that the situation in the PCT is at this time rather good. A number of factors have contributed to this, including, for example, people who are attacked in Revolucion Socialista, such as the PUR. The PUR has had a very clear and well-defined attitude, very positive, consisting in declaring to the PCT that they were for unity at all times, but on the basis of its being real unity; that is, on the basis that they would, in every way possible, continue collaborating with the guerrillas at every moment. I think that in the base organizations of the PCT this attitude has been brought forth.

So, there is nowhere that I can see any real reason for a break nor the desire for a break on the part of anybody. The problems that have come up can be discussed as between equals, clearly, and they can be a positive factor, become a positive factor of impetus for the struggle, eliminating everything that is a burden or an error or a provocation.

I am sending a cordial greeting to both, those I know well as a result of oral expressions and recorded tapes--this employment of tape recorders is extremely useful--and whom I would have liked very much to hug personally. So long.

[Same man who recorded the above continues after a blank space on the tape.] ...in the first place ... Rolando ... said that he is of course ... trip ... Mexico ... in excellent health ... I saw him ... departure from Mexico ... very few days, 3 days ... took some photographs of both but I was unable to bring them because I left for here ... he was afraid I might have difficulties with .... I traveled with a lady who posed as my wife ... photos ... I could not bring them ... Rolando ... also I was delayed seriously the other night when I was coming ... the way is long but it is ... .

There is something else you might like to know ... I have had many contacts with him ... of course his attitude is still ... feels very bad ... also this becomes more serious owing to the situation ... that worries him very much because ... a letter to his wife ... some psychological trouble, nerves ... I have tried ... he did not send greetings because ... I remember all of you ... his attitude on the entire struggle, but I think he is ... it was then advisable ... send him a message by this same means of recorded tape. I have a/tape recorder of standard size, not portable ... if you prepare a tape recording to tell him clearly and definitely ... decision, you can send it to me ... [Voice trails off.]

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[Recording is now of conversation among several men.]

... they all sent letters asking that S.O.B. to ....

... in the morning, and that Pirulin was here as resident ...

... are agreed, that there are tactless people ... minimum salary to give the person enough to live on, pay for housing, eat, pay for his children's education ... sliding scale of wages ... money ... if life is inexpensive ... wages of 80 centavos for the peasant ... or 50 ... plantains ... she understands about that ... that BS ... hunger ... children's education...

... sliding wage scale ... minimum wages ... talked about "salario vital

minimo," which is what a familiy needs to support itself at today's cost of living levels. That, I can discuss as minimum wage.... Those are slogans for the struggle against capitalism. Capitalism is incapable of solving the problems of the masses. That is the basic problem.

... the worker gets 1.7½ a day ... does not pay for housing. That has to be assured because ... workers of the "frutera" [UFCO, United Fruit Company] do not pay for housing, or electricity; that is, the only thing that he pays for is ... they give him food cards ... the only thing that the peasant ... "frutera" ... retirement is ... or else they give him nothing, blackball him ... lost his indemnity ... ... the peasant struggling for better wages ...

[Etc. One man does most of the talking, about the relative situation of the worker with regard to the UFCO, the union, and independent farming as to earnings, benefits, etc. They engage in an argumentative comparison of the treatment of the worker by the UFCO and the railroad company. Toward the end the discussion leads into the potential for revolution among the former and present workers of the UFCO.]

[After a blank space there is a lecture on the Guatemalan situation from its origins, starting with a detailed account of Columbus' voyages, Spain's exploitation, the plunder of the gold and riches of America, and the enslavement of the natives. The lecturer then shifts to present tasks of revolution. The intelligible points to be gleaned on this are as follows:]

"The main function of the guerrilla is to disrupt the regime, the capitalist system of private ownership." [The "disrupt the system" point is made also at the end as the gist of the lecture,] We must keep digging at the roots while shaking the trunk to cause it to fall. The newspapers declare that they are not allowed to publish interviews with guerrilla

fighters, etc. Strikes are more frequent. The spirit of rebellion and disregard of law is spreading. We must encourage and exploit it.

Many people still think that the guerrillas are only supposed to kill soldiers. That is mistaken. We must get to the people and encourage their rebelliousness and opposition to the government, which is everywhere evident. The situation is deteriorating. The government of Peralta is not operating well. The guerrillas are playing an important role because they are [feeding] the people. They are not simply fighting; their role also is to solve problems for the people, to solve social difficulties for the people.

We must find out why the peasants do not respond the way they should to the guerrillas. There is strength for us and for the people in a close relationship. Thousands are watching us and what we do. In the villages we are welcomed because they realize we are fighting to solve their problems.

[End tape 1 - begin tape 2]

When the revolution is over, we are all going to solve our problems, the problems of all, not just of a few.

The struggle is going well; the government must be kept sharply conscious of us. Sometimes it seems no progress is being made, but from the standpoint of the revolutionary struggle it is being made. The thing is not to be discouraged but to be steadfast. For every 20 that the enemy kills, 100 will rise up.

[Quality of recording deteriorates so badly for a long stretch after this that summary is not feasible, as all crucial names (if any) and words are unintelligible. Then:] Strikes must be encouraged, because strikes go against the capitalist system, and what we want is to destroy, to replace the capitalist system. We want the means of production to be in the hands of the state controlled by the workers, for the benefit of all. The

function of the guerrilla is to disrupt the regime, the social system. The revolution will continue for a long time. There is no way to stop it short of victory. [Occasional comments by the other two or three participants had been heard. More comments follow, all unintelligible as above.]

[A period of silence is followed by a series of recorded greetings, letters, other messages, short speeches, and songs, including mention of names and identities which are unintelligible* The recording is poor, distorted, full of echoes. Upon the conclusion of this special section, there is a notable improvement in the tape quality, as reflected in the following pages.]

* except for Marcantonio or Marco Antonio. Yes -

Here ends the tape [recorded] by comrade [Galani]. [We appreciate]the material aid, the songs, the greetings, all of which make us firmer in the struggle and demonstrate that we are going well, that if the struggle was somewhat limited in the beginning it was because of lack of a clear program, of a line and of a program [several words] for which we are fighting. [The] last few words of comrade Rolando refer to [word], as to the takeover of power, although he does not make clear yet, at this time, the power for whom, to do what, but comrade Rolando [has a clearness]which we took to be emotion [toward?] the opening of the struggles for the socialist revolution. I can make no comment in this regard from the content of this tape, but [several words].

Before I say farewell, there are two points I was forgetting. By this courier we are sending No. 29 of [one word] Interno, containing an article about the false Communism of the Russians and its historic lessons to the world. It is very important that the article be read, studied, and discussed there, because it will be material not only for our meeting but for further strengthening us in this line and in this program. Rich experiences [can] be gotten from it, so that we [words] some of the things pointed out here by the Chinese [words] the decay of the Russian Revolution represented by Khrushchev as the inheritor [continuador] of Stalin's bureaucratic line.

Also, I would like to read this note to you; I do not know whether you have received it. We, after my return from [word] [decided] to call a meeting of the [FAR]. We sent a message to comrade [Erlindo], to [Juan Chacon], and to [Mauricio]. Nobody showed up then. After eight days we again waited at the meeting place and [Mauricio]showed up. Before Mauricio

arrived [Dondonita?] took this note to us, which I would like to read. It is dated 21 September 1964. It is a note which [Juan Chacon] sends to comrade Adan, and it reads as follows:

> Compañero Comandante: I reiterate to you and the comrades our fraternal greeting and our wishes that you will [word] in a revolutionary manner for the good of the country. This is to ask you to issue instructions for a meeting of the titular leadership of the [FAR]. For that I shall go the place to which you may call me. I make this request because here the substitute command that had been operating since the event at [Simpa] ceased to operate at all for the last thirty days or longer. Also because since you, comrades of the Trece de Noviembre organization, publicly expressed your[word] toward us Communists, there have arisen problems which must be solved if unity is to continue. At a meeting of the titular command, with you in attendance, it shall be seen whether the problems arisen can be overcome or whether they are going to leave us disjointed [desarticulados], as we are now, with reference to the matters of major importance in our movement. Incidentally, the tasks assigned to the comrades as special responsibilities, are being carried out, so that the [FAR] [has been] operating in practice. However, it is not enough for each to carry his immediate tactical responsibilities. Matters [in prespect, or of perspective] have to be attended to, and these in the last few months, as I have said, have not been attended to with the proper authority and have been completely abandoned during the last month. Fraternal greeting.
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That is all we get as their reply. So in effect they refuse to attend the meetings of the substitute command but want a meeting of the titular command. In that regard, the [several words] a meeting to [take up] the points, this note must be answered. The line that we conclude from this is the same line that they have tried to follow, that everything has been done by a small group, which is the group that is in the [city], that is directly with [Rudy], and that [it is Rudy] who has "disjointed", as they put it, all functioning of [words]. But now with the conversation held by comrade Adan the whole thing has been clarified and we are strong once more. In any event we have not failed to [ask them], including [several words] with comrade [Luz], so that in case of a meeting [they] would attend. We are ready to attend any meeting to which we are called; [we have] called them three times, and they have failed to attend in all three cases. Therefore we propose that this remain the way it is until we have met there, since [phrase].

These are the only --- the latest news; this courier has to leave. Before we close I shall save up some of the tape for a message comrade Jenaro has asked to be allowed to record. Since I have been working on this he came over and wants to send a greeting. So we shall listen to comrade Jenaro.

One more thing before Jenaro's message. In the event you wish to reply to the memorandum sent by [Juan Chacon], there will no objection on our part. We are at your service there, although [several words] the concrete statement of opinion that [several words]. What they are trying to do is [leave] us alone to see whether we are capable or incapable of continuing. They imagine that we going to be unable to get out even a

bulletin or even less circulate anything, and that we would have to go looking for them. With these tactics of delay and of not attending the meetings they are trying to pressure us, to see --- to make us feel, they think, the need we have of them.

That is not the way the revolution is carried on; that is not the way the process can be advanced. But this we shall discuss up there. However, any decision you up there may want to make after discussion will be acceded to and respected by us.

Again I say farewell, with a fraternal, combative greeting to comrades Adan, Mateo, Marinero, [Sosa], and all the others who are there. Forward, comrades. Good health and good work.. Listen now to comrade [name].

[Another man:]

I greet you warmly, Mateo. I got your affectionate greeting, and we accepted it with love. It is actually [word], the manner, the assurance with which you express yourself, and we are working rather hard here, with great synchronisation and [word] and understanding of comrade [Rudy] and [pushing forward every task]. We are here to give impetus to the process, as you say, and we realise it.

Give my warm greeting to comrade Adan. I got his greeting also on the other recording. Greetings [grandes felicidades; probably congratulations intended] on the mp statement and the interview with the newsmen. Really, the statement and interview reveal great political maturity and demonstrate also the work being done by comrade Mateo with regard to the sharpening up [seduracion] of a team up there among the guerrillas.

To conclude: "abrazos" to both, comrades Mateo and Adan, although I do not have the pleasure of your personal acquaintance, but we are involved in the same enterprise, in the same great task of carrying out the socialist

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revolution in Guatemala. Forward, comrades. We shall soon see each other.

POR VICTOR RICO GALAN

En un editorial reciente, **Siempre** censuró con energía la conducta de nuestras autoridades policíacas en el aeropuerto, por los malos tratos y las vejaciones a que son sometidos los viajeros procedentes de ciertos países, sobre todo de Cuba y de España. Aceptaba nuestra revista como cosa normal la vigilancia sobre visitantes potencialmente peligrosos, pero acusaba a las innúmeras policías que el mexicano padece de realizar mal esa función o no realizarla en absoluto, a cambio de actuar con una insolencia y una prepotencia intolerables.

Como por encargo, los acontecimientos posteriores han venido a darle a nuestro editorial más razón incluso de la que pretendía tener. El pasado día 7, un norteamericano que responde al nombre de Henry Agüeros Garcés, lanzó una granada de mano contra los talleres del periódico **El Día**, con intenciones verdaderamente siniestras: la granada fue lanzada en un lugar tal, que sólo la rápida intervención de los trabajadores del diario pudo evitar una catástrofe de incalculables proporciones, de la que no estaría excluida la pérdida de muchas vidas humanas, tanto en el edificio del periódico, como en la zona aledaña.

No se trataba, por otra parte, de un hecho único ni aislado. En fecha anterior, aunque reciente, el Instituto Mexicano-Ruso de Relaciones Culturales sufrió una agresión análoga, y el arma utilizada resultó ser idéntica —según la policía— a la que explotó en el patio de El Día. Casi simultáneamente fue ametrallado el departamento que habitaba el corresponsal de la agencia yugoeslava **Tanjug**, y sólo la circunstancia de encontrarse en un quinto piso salvó la vida de su esposa, que bañaba a su hijita recién nacida, pues varios proyectiles de grueso calibre entraron por las ventanas y se alojaron en el techo de la habitación. En ambos casos, la lenidad y la indiferencia de la policía fueron evidentes. Ni aparecieron los culpables ni se hicieron investigaciones serias.

Además, somos muchos los mexicanos que, por ocuparnos de cuestiones políticas nacionales e internacionales con un criterio opuesto al del Gobierno de los Estados Unidos, recibimos un alud de amenazas y anónimos injuriosos, tanto por escrito como telefónicamente. La redacción de los anónimos y el lenguaje utilizado indica con claridad que son extranjeros quienes los hacen, y probablemente cubanos contrarrevolucionarios. Por pronta conclusión de los estudios del dominio público, es indiscutible que decir contrarrevolucionarios cubanos equivale a decir Agencia Central de Inteligencia (CIA) de los Estados Unidos.

La ola de violencia, espionaje y amenazas ha llegado a un punto tal, que motivó una carta del director de la revista **Política** a las autoridades responsables, exigiendo que se aplique la ley a los autores de tales hechos delictuosos y denunciando los catastróficos efectos que para el país puede tener el tolerarlos. Sin embargo nada se había hecho hasta que se produjo el atentado contra **El Día** y fue capturado su autor.

Capturado, no como resultado de investigaciones policíacas, sino gracias a la diligencia de un joven obrero de los talleres de **El Día**, que lo persiguió y le dio alcance. Porque Henry Agüeros Garcés entró en México como Pedro por su casa, no fue molestado por policía alguno, no fue fotografiado en frontera ni aeropuerto, y pudo incluso utilizar un nombre falso para obtener alojamiento en un hotel. ¿Y cómo no? Las vejaciones a ciudadanos extranjeros que nos visitan tienen un reverso: el trato obsequioso y hasta abyecto que se da a los ciudadanos norteamericanos. Esos mismos polizontes que tan groseros y bestiales se muestran con quienes vienen de Cuba o de España son la imagen misma de la amabilidad y la obsecuencia cuando el que llega tiene una tarjeta de turista que lo acredita como norteamericano.

Ser norteamericano es, en México, una patente de corso. Y eso, a pesar de que por la frontera norte o en los vuelos internacionales que del norte proceden llega a México la peor gentuza. Hágase una estadística de los delitos cometidos en nuestro país por extranjeros, y se verá que los yanquis se llevan la palma, con cifras imposibles de igualar, y con crímenes cuya degradación moral es también inigualable. Todo lo cual prueba hasta qué punto era justa la censura a la policía que hacía SIEMPRE! en su editorial ya citado: es una policía que injuria, humilla y veja, pero que no investiga los delitos reales y mucho menos es capaz de prevenirlos.

Queda por aclarar hasta dónde esas innumerables policías mexicanas —ilegales y por eso imposibles de controlar legalmente— están penetradas por la CIA, la FBI, y otras agencias extranjeras dedicadas al terrorismo, al espionaje y a sembrar la zozobra en todas partes. Queda por aclarar hasta dónde de ese norte revuelto y brutal que nos desprecia, como decía Martí, es el que verdaderamente dirige a polizontes cuyos sueldos legales difícilmente justifican el derroche y el lujo en el que viven. Quedan por aclarar muchas cosas, si de verdad se quiere cumplir la promesa [illegible]

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